



LEGIONNAIRES

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LEGIONNAIRES™


END
OF AN
ERA
CONCLUSION



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LOSS...



MOMENTS AGO, A
STRANGE FIGURE
APPEARED OVER THE
DOMES OF NEW
EARTH.

HIS MYSTERIOUS
EFFORTS TO MANIPULATE
THE ASTEROIDS THAT
ONCE FORMED TERRA
FIRMA THREATEN TO
DESTROY THE DOMED
CITIES -- AND ALL LIFE
WITHIN THEM.

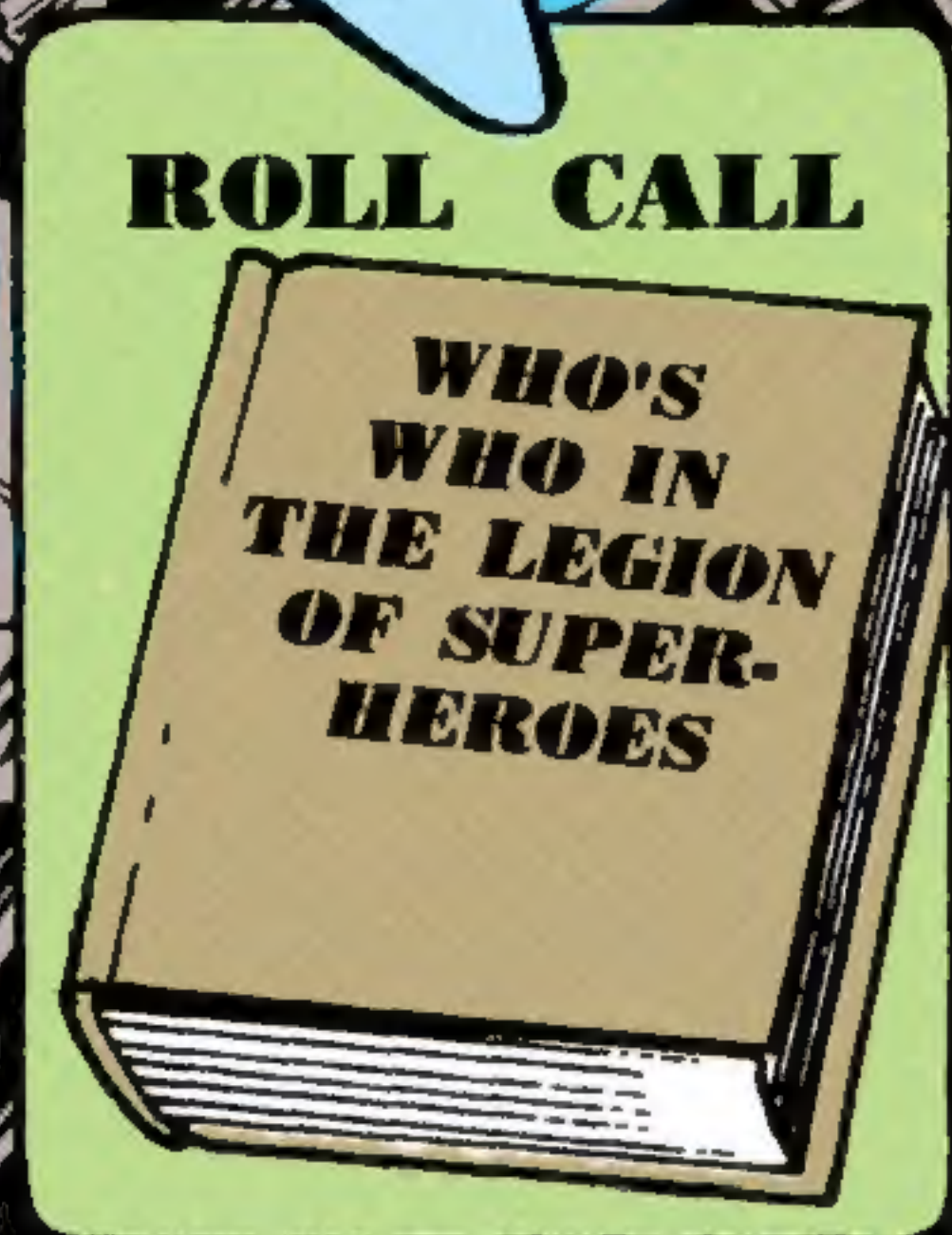
FORTUNATELY,
THE LEGIONNAIRES
HAVE COME TO
THE RESCUE --
LEADING THEM TO
ASK THE INEVITABLE
QUESTION ...

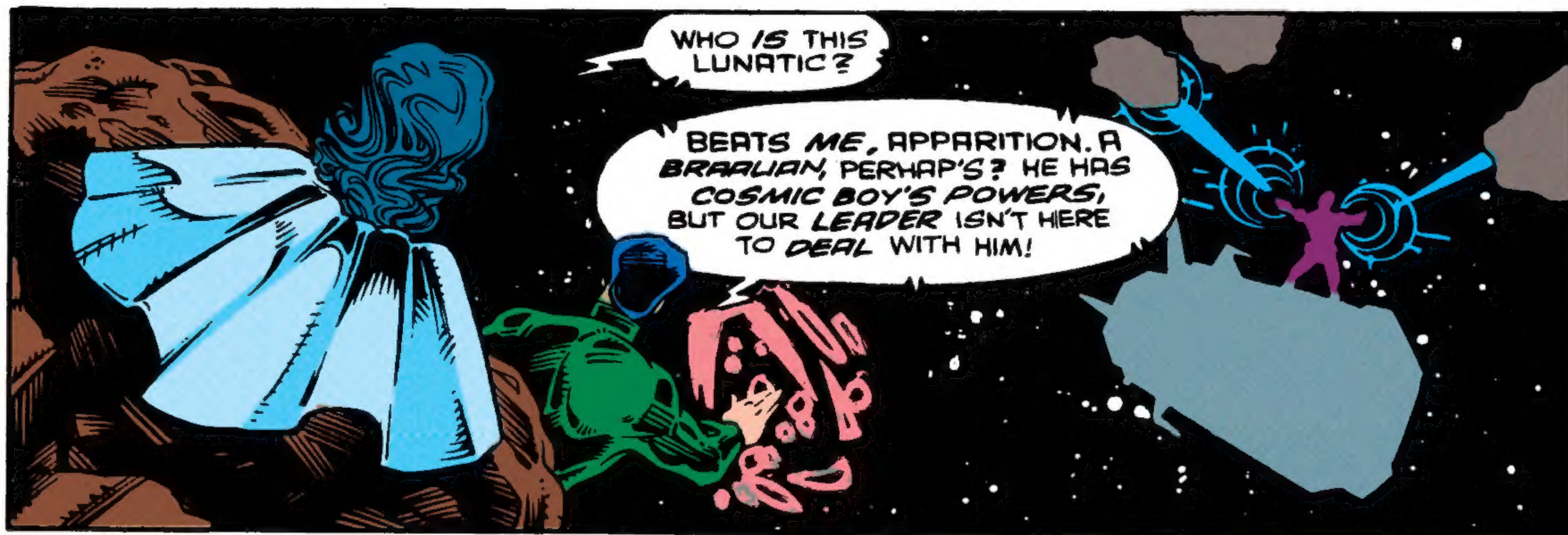
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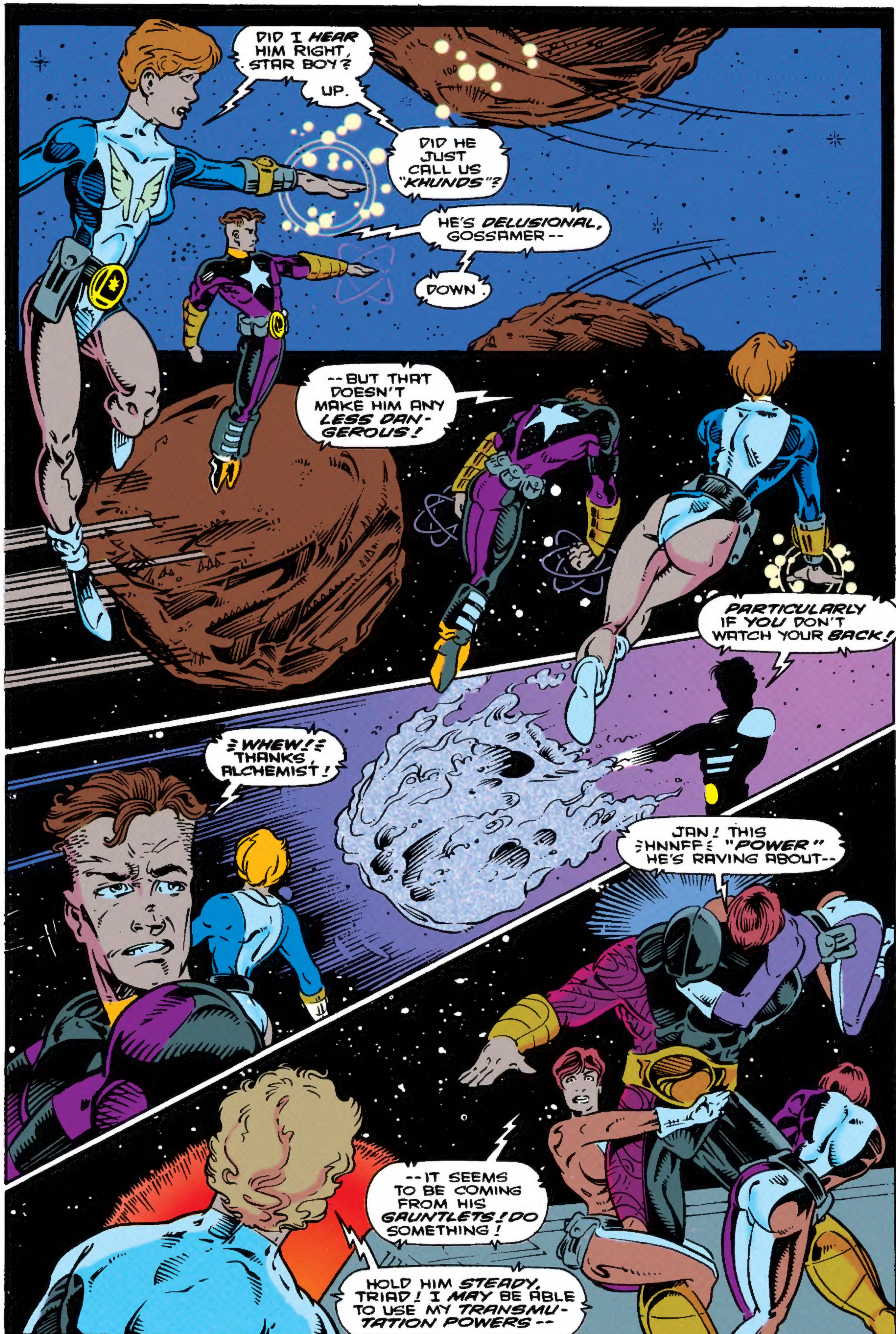
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--TO ATOMIZE
THE GAUNTLETS
THROUGH HIS
TRANSSUIT!

NO...
PLEASE...

THAT
VOICE... SO
FAMILIAR...

... AND NO WONDER!
UNDER THE MASK--
IT'S **ROKK KRINN**
OF THE LEGION!

...
WHERE...
WHERE
AM I?

THIS IS TOO
WEIRD! IT'S
LIKE BUSTING
YOUR OLDER
BROTHER!

IS IT JUST ME--
OR DOES HE SOUND
LIKE HE'S COMING
TO HIS SENSES
NOW THAT THE
GAUNTLETS ARE
GONE?

PERHAPS
... BUT HE
STILL NEEDS
HELP!

WHAT
DO WE DO
WITH HIM
NOW?

YOU TAKE HIM
TO SHANGHALLA...
TO MOURN.

CHAM!

SORRY I WASN'T
HERE SOONER...
BUT I WAS BUSY
GATHERING MY
OWN NEWS... AND
IT WASN'T
PLEASANT.

IT'S
LAUREL,
OLD FRIEND.
SHE ...

...SHE'S
DEAD.

SHANGHALLA.

"...THIS DAY JOINS
THE RANKS OF THOSE
WHO HAVE *DEFINED*
THE WORD 'HEROISM.'"

"LAUREL GAND'S NOBLE
SACRIFICE IN THE WAR
AGAINST THE *KHUNDS*
HELPED ENSURE PEACE
THROUGHOUT THE
GALAXY. SHE MADE A
DIFFERENCE WHERE
AND WHEN IT
COUNTED..."

...AND IN
THE *END*...
THAT IS ALL
ANY OF US CAN
HOPE FOR.

DEV-EM...?

THANK
YOU, VALOR.

I STAND BEFORE
YOU NOT AS A
MEMBER OF ANY
TEAM... BUT AS A
DAXAMITE, DIMINISHED
BY THE PASSING OF A
FRIEND... AND A
RACIAL KIN.

LEGION AND
LEGIONNAIRES
ALIKE, ALL THOSE
GATHERED HERE
TODAY WILL MISS
LAUREL...

...SOME OF
US QUITE
DEEPLY.

MAN... *ANDROMEDA'S*
TAKING THIS REALLY
TOUGH...

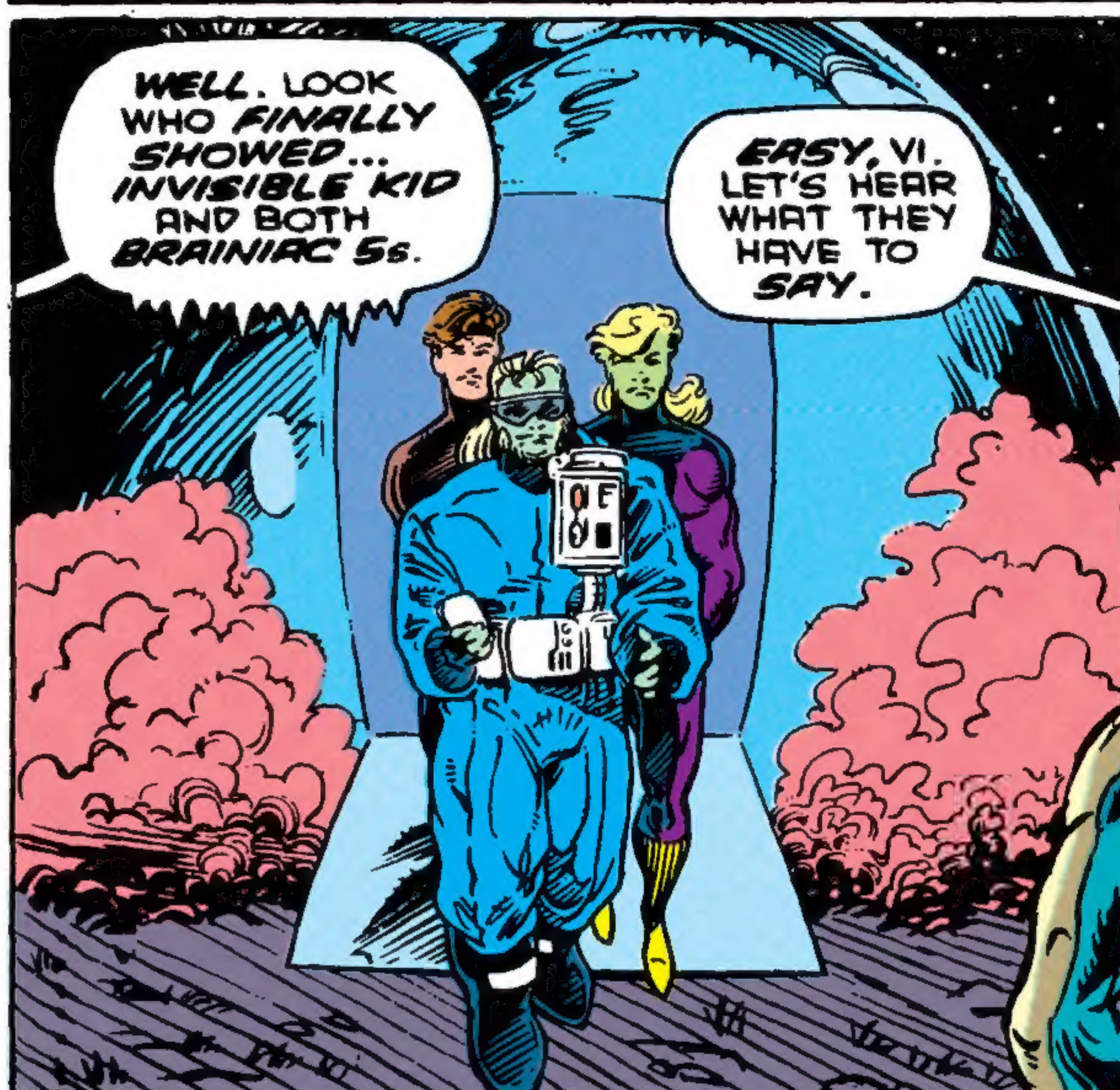
HOW COULD
SHE NOT,
INFERNO?

IMAGINE
LAYING
YOURSELF TO
REST.



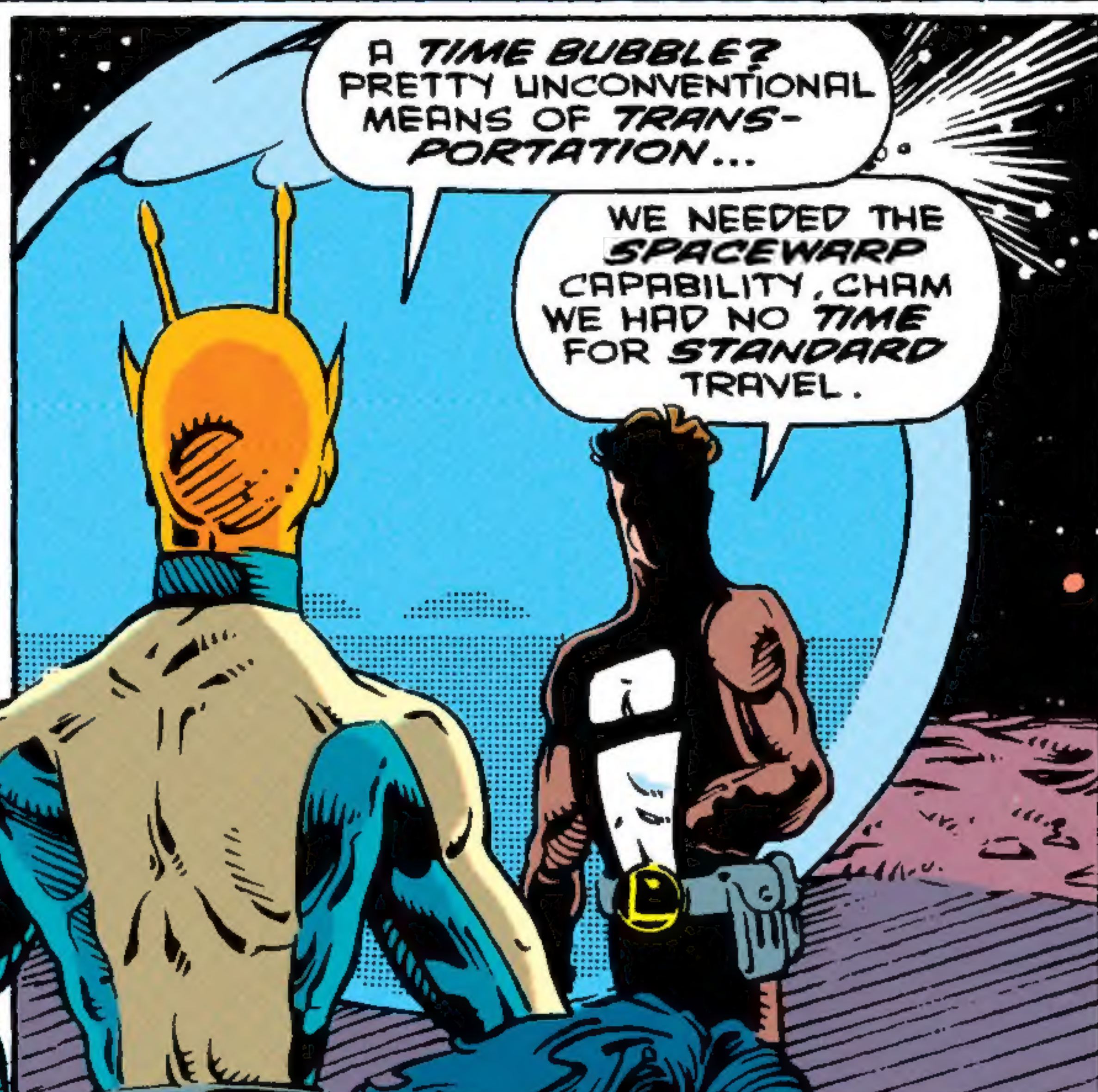
MY HUSBAND ... DON'T HOLD ON TO YOUR GRIEF. LET IT FLY. LAUREL WOULD HAVE WANTED IT -- EH?

THAT LIGHT...



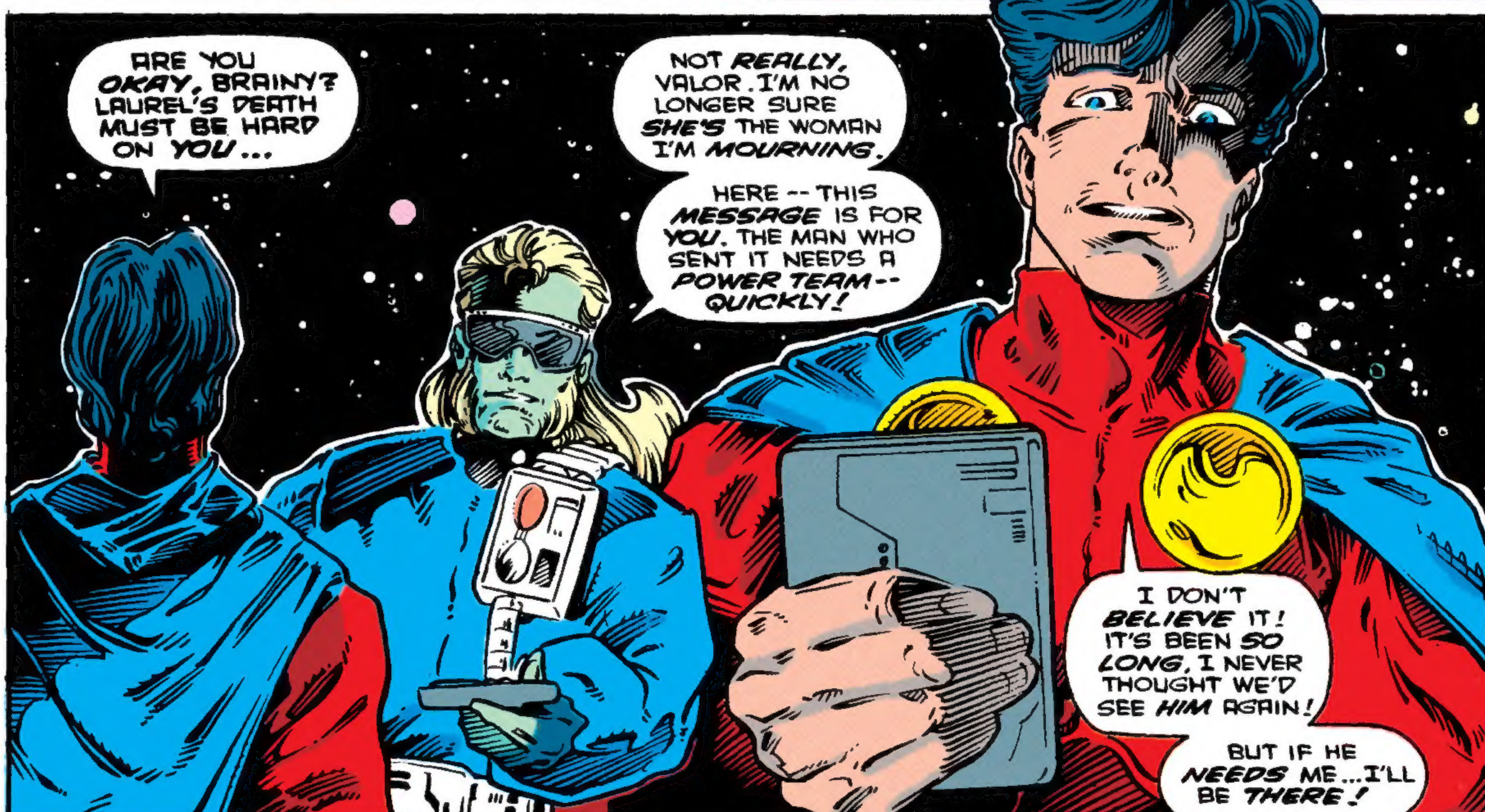
WELL, LOOK WHO FINALLY SHOWED... INVISIBLE KID AND BOTH BRAINIAC 5s.

EASY, VI. LET'S HEAR WHAT THEY HAVE TO SAY.



A TIME BUBBLE? PRETTY UNCONVENTIONAL MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION...

WE NEEDED THE SPACEWARP CAPABILITY, CHAM WE HAD NO TIME FOR STANDARD TRAVEL.



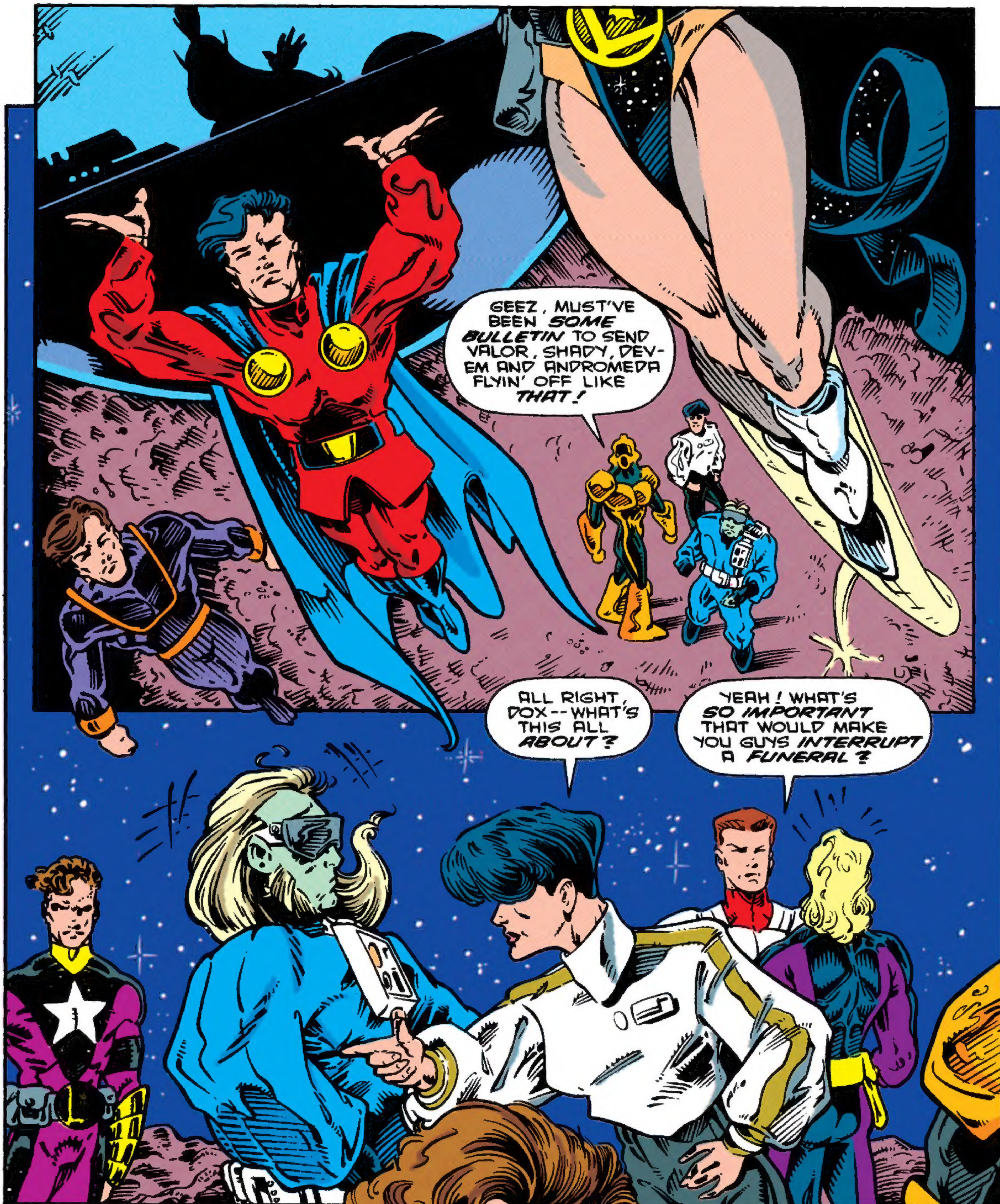
ARE YOU OKAY, BRAINY? LAUREL'S DEATH MUST BE HARD ON YOU...

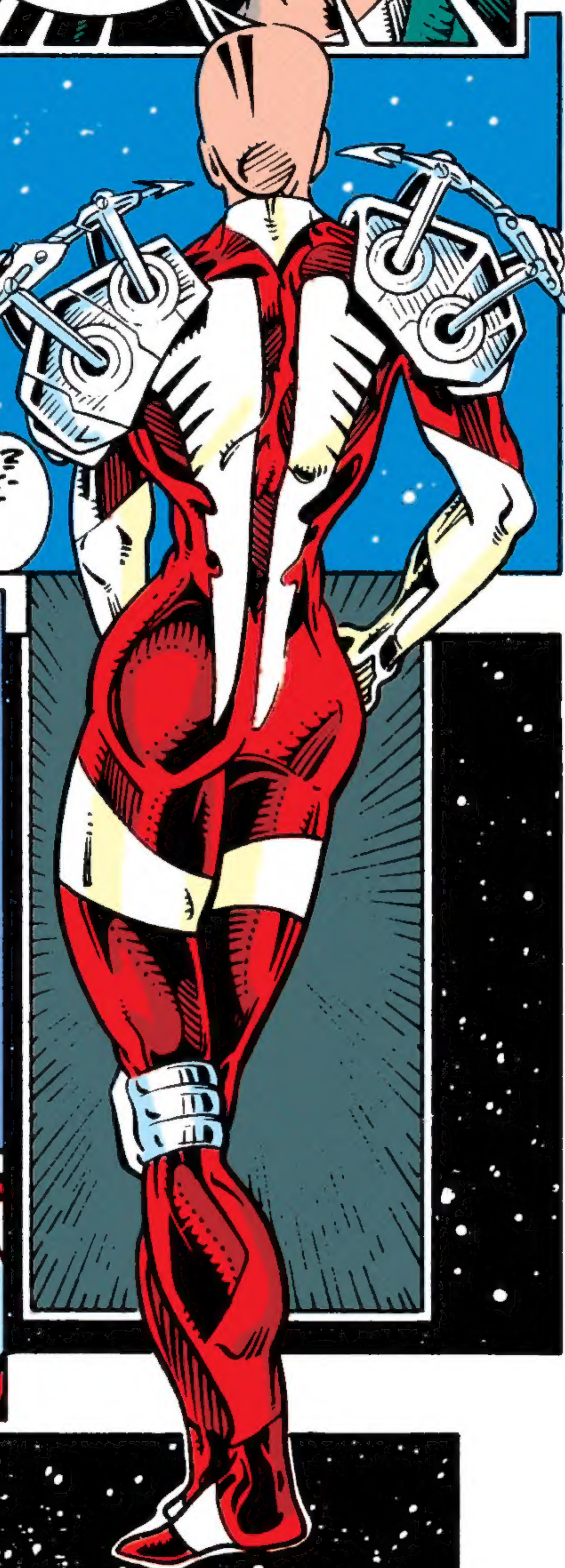
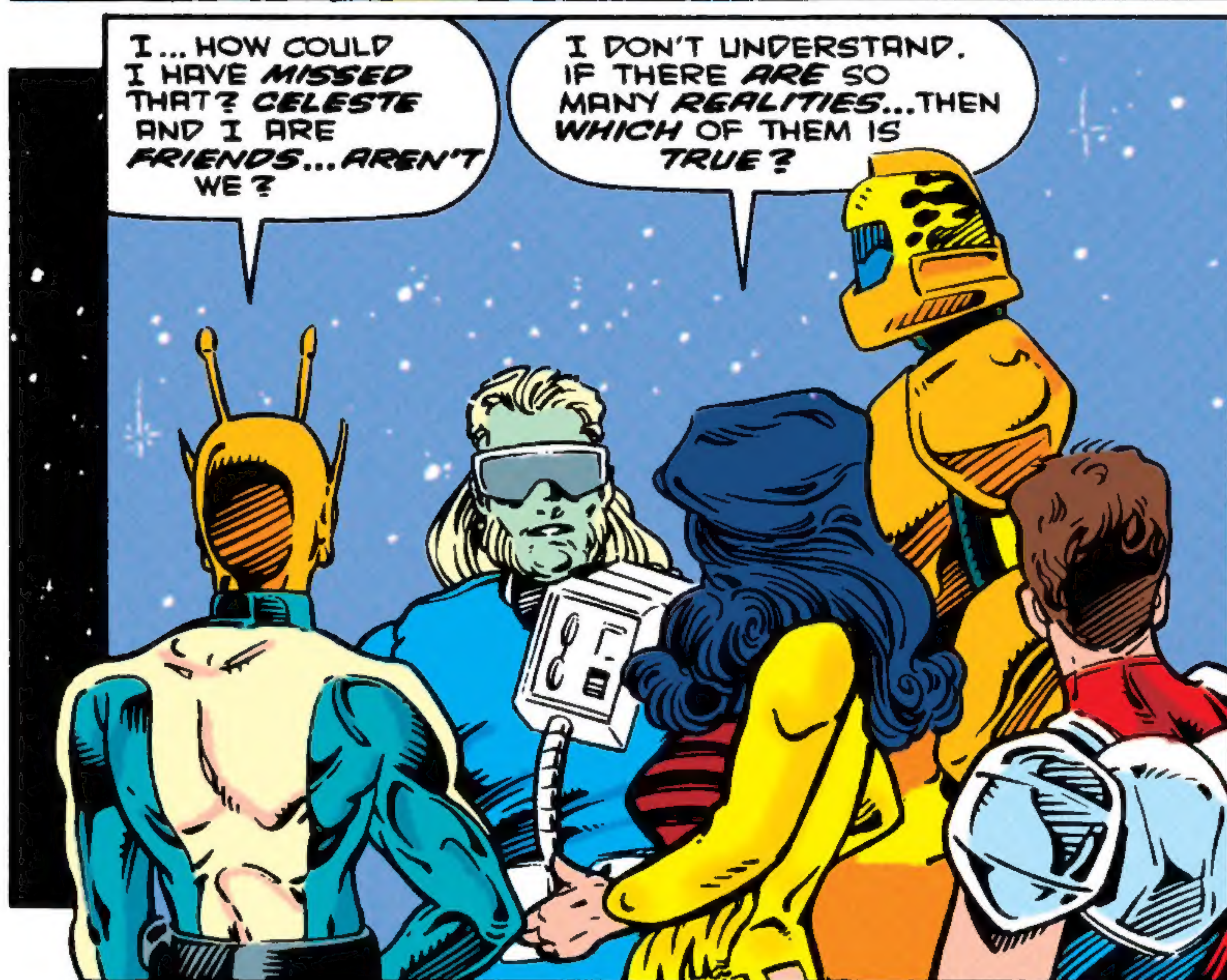
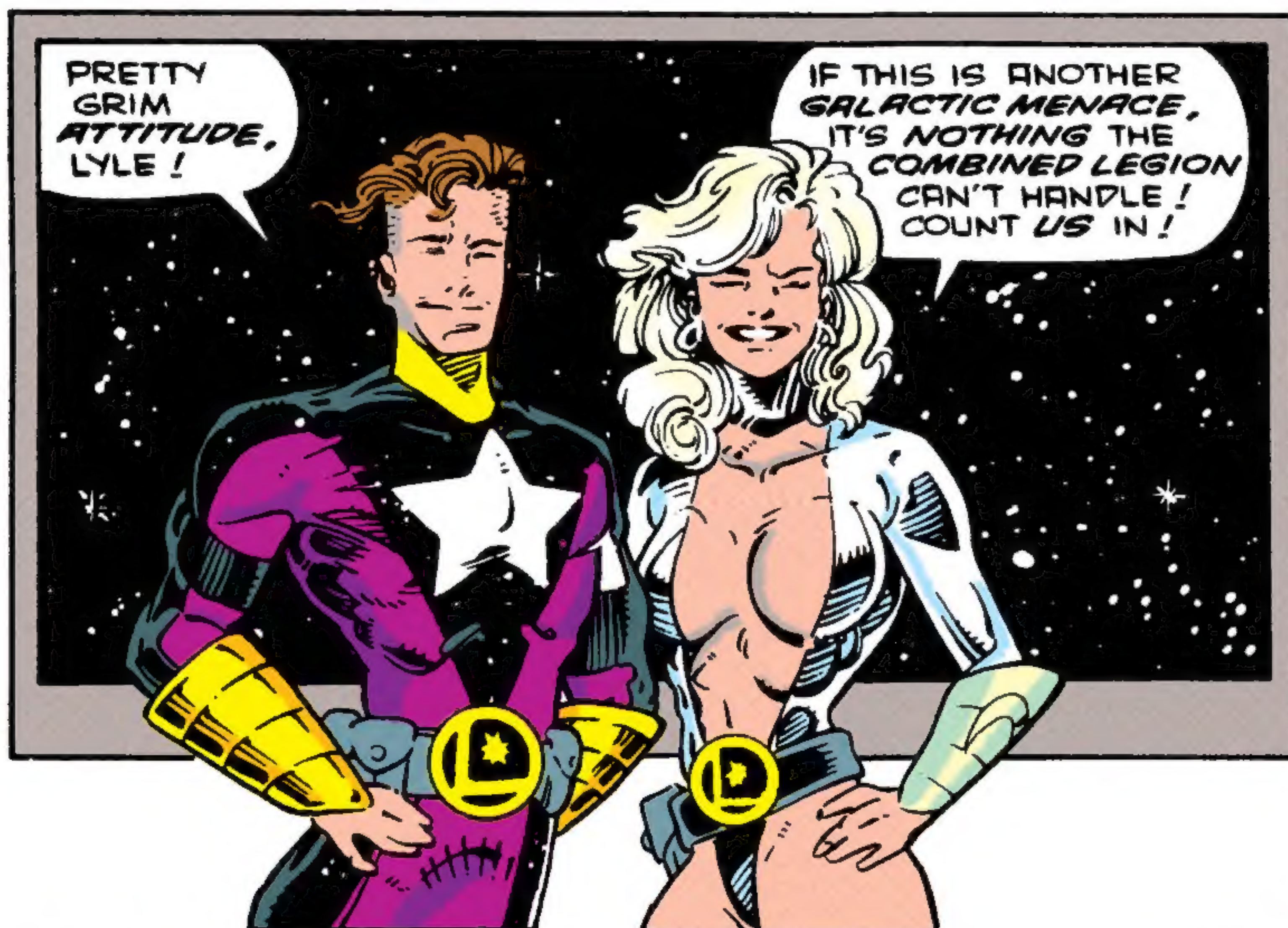
NOT REALLY, VALOR. I'M NO LONGER SURE SHE'S THE WOMAN I'M MOURNING.

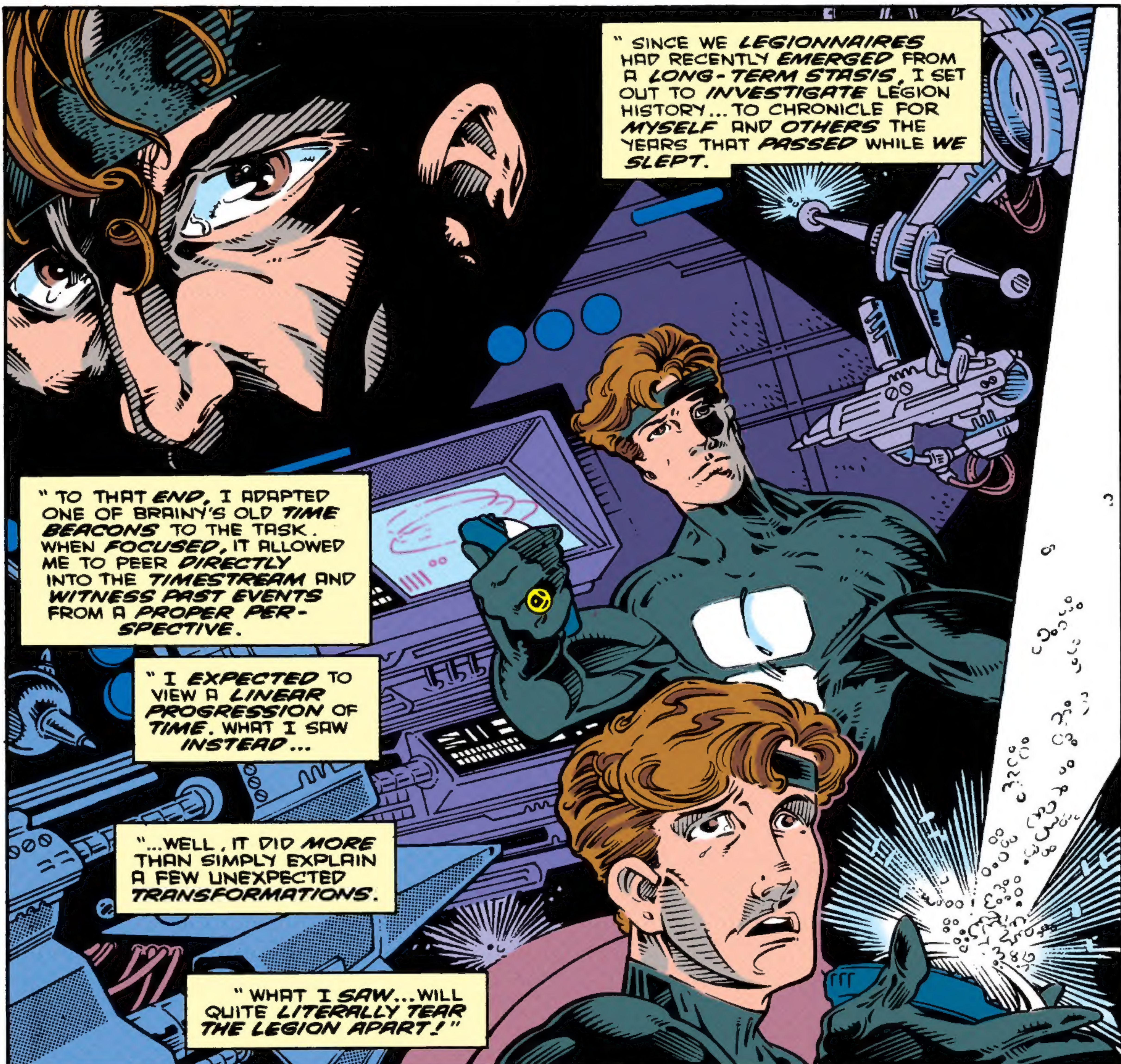
HERE -- THIS MESSAGE IS FOR YOU. THE MAN WHO SENT IT NEEDS A POWER TEAM -- QUICKLY!

I DON'T BELIEVE IT! IT'S BEEN SO LONG, I NEVER THOUGHT WE'D SEE HIM AGAIN!

BUT IF HE NEEDS ME... I'LL BE THERE!







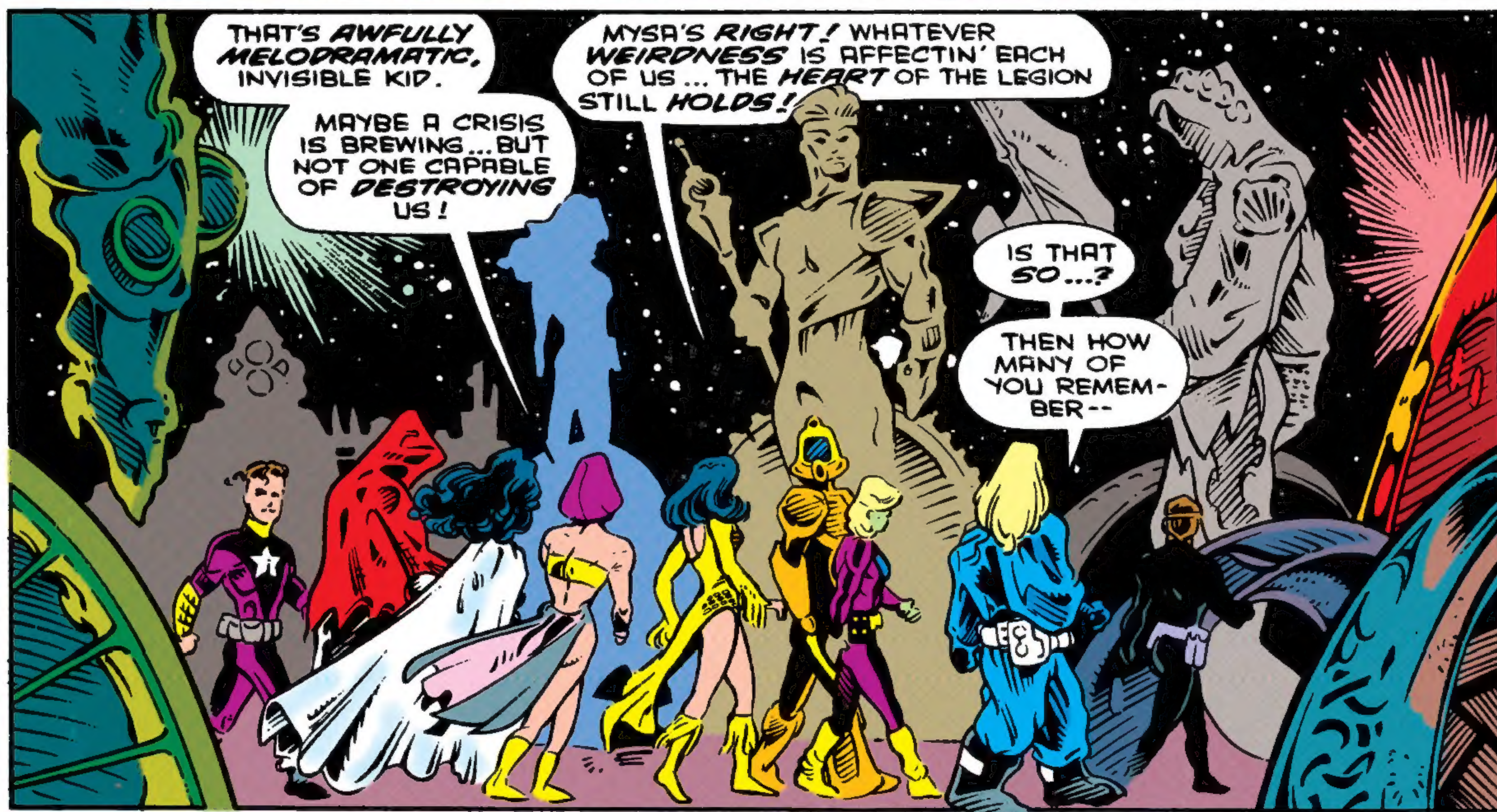
" SINCE WE **LEGIONNAIRES** HAD RECENTLY **EMERGED** FROM A **LONG-TERM STASIS**, I SET OUT TO **INVESTIGATE** LEGION HISTORY... TO **CHRONICLE** FOR **MYSELF** AND **OTHERS** THE YEARS THAT **PASSED** WHILE WE **SLEPT**.

" TO THAT **END**, I ADAPTED ONE OF **BRAINY'S** OLD **TIME BEACONS** TO THE TASK. WHEN **FOCUSED**, IT ALLOWED ME TO **PEER DIRECTLY** INTO THE **TIMESTREAM** AND **WITNESS PAST EVENTS** FROM A **PROPER PERSPECTIVE**.

" I **EXPECTED** TO VIEW A **LINEAR PROGRESSION** OF **TIME**. WHAT I SAW **INSTEAD**...

"...WELL, IT DID **MORE** THAN SIMPLY **EXPLAIN** A FEW **UNEXPECTED TRANSFORMATIONS**.

" WHAT I **SAW**... WILL **QUITE LITERALLY TEAR** THE **LEGION APART**!"



THAT'S **AWFULLY MELODRAMATIC**, **INVISIBLE KID**.

MAYBE A **CRISIS** IS **BREWING**... BUT NOT ONE **CAPABLE** OF **DESTROYING** US!

MYSA'S RIGHT! WHATEVER **WEIRDNESS** IS **AFFECTIN'** EACH OF US... THE **HEART** OF THE **LEGION** STILL **HOLDS!**

IS THAT **SO**...?

THEN HOW **MANY** OF YOU **REMEMBER**--



--HIM?

SUPER ...
BOY?

HOW COULD ANY OF US
FORGET HIM? HE
INSPIRED US ALL!

BUT...I DON'T
REMEMBER
ANY "SUPERBOY"...

JO!
HOW CAN
YOU
NOT?

OF COURSE HE DOESN'T. HOW CAN ANYONE KEEP OUR HISTORY STRAIGHT--

--WHEN THERE'S SO MUCH TO REMEMBER?

THIS IS WHAT LYLE SAW. A BARRAGE OF UNREMEMBERED IMAGES... A FRACTURED MONTAGE OF DIVERSE MEMORIES.

AND IF ANY OF IT SEEMS UNFAMILIAR, THE FAULT LIES NOT IN OUR TEXTS... BUT IN OURSELVES.

FOR HERE IS THE ULTIMATE TRUTH. SOME UNKNOWN TEMPORAL FORCE HAS BEEN SUBTLY SHIFTING THE LEGION'S REALITY FOR YEARS. WITH EACH SHIFT, ANOTHER ELEMENT OF OUR OWN HISTORY IS CONTRADICTED-- AND YET, WE OURSELVES ARE UNABLE TO NOTICE!

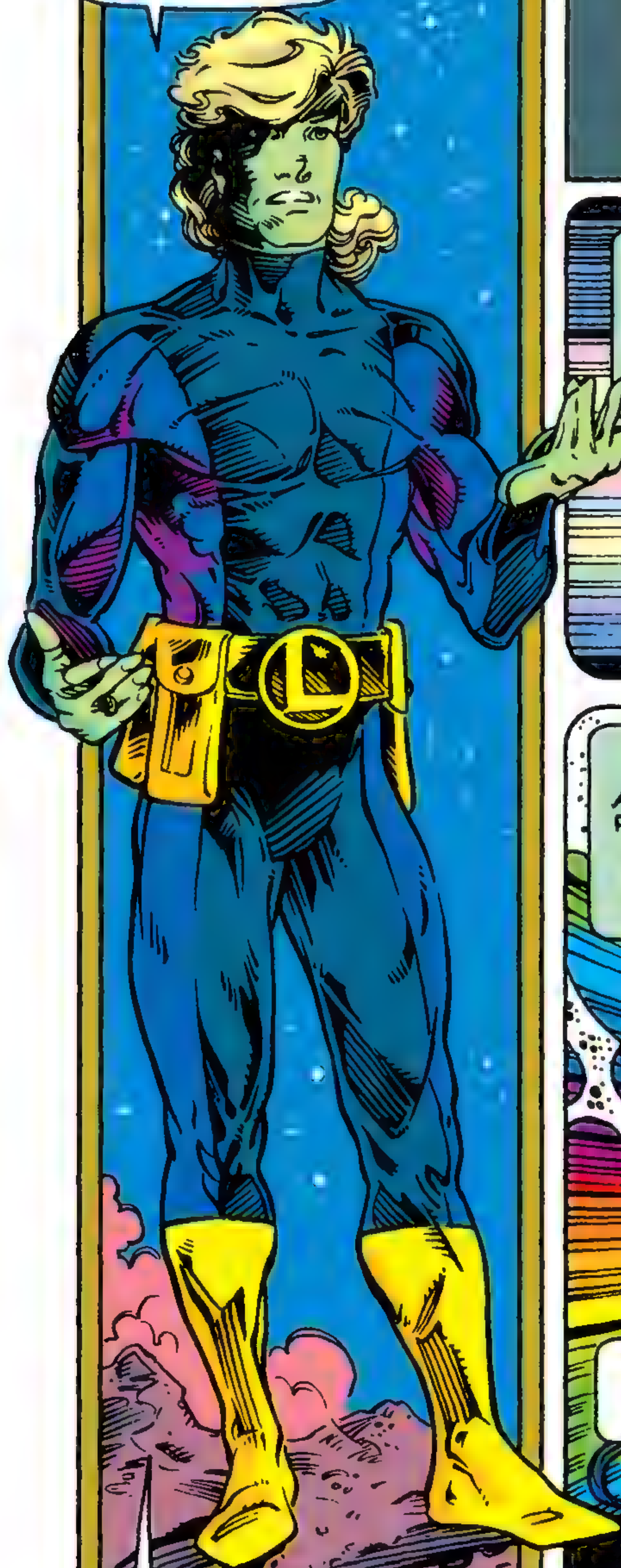
WHO IS THAT?

DON'T RECOGNIZE

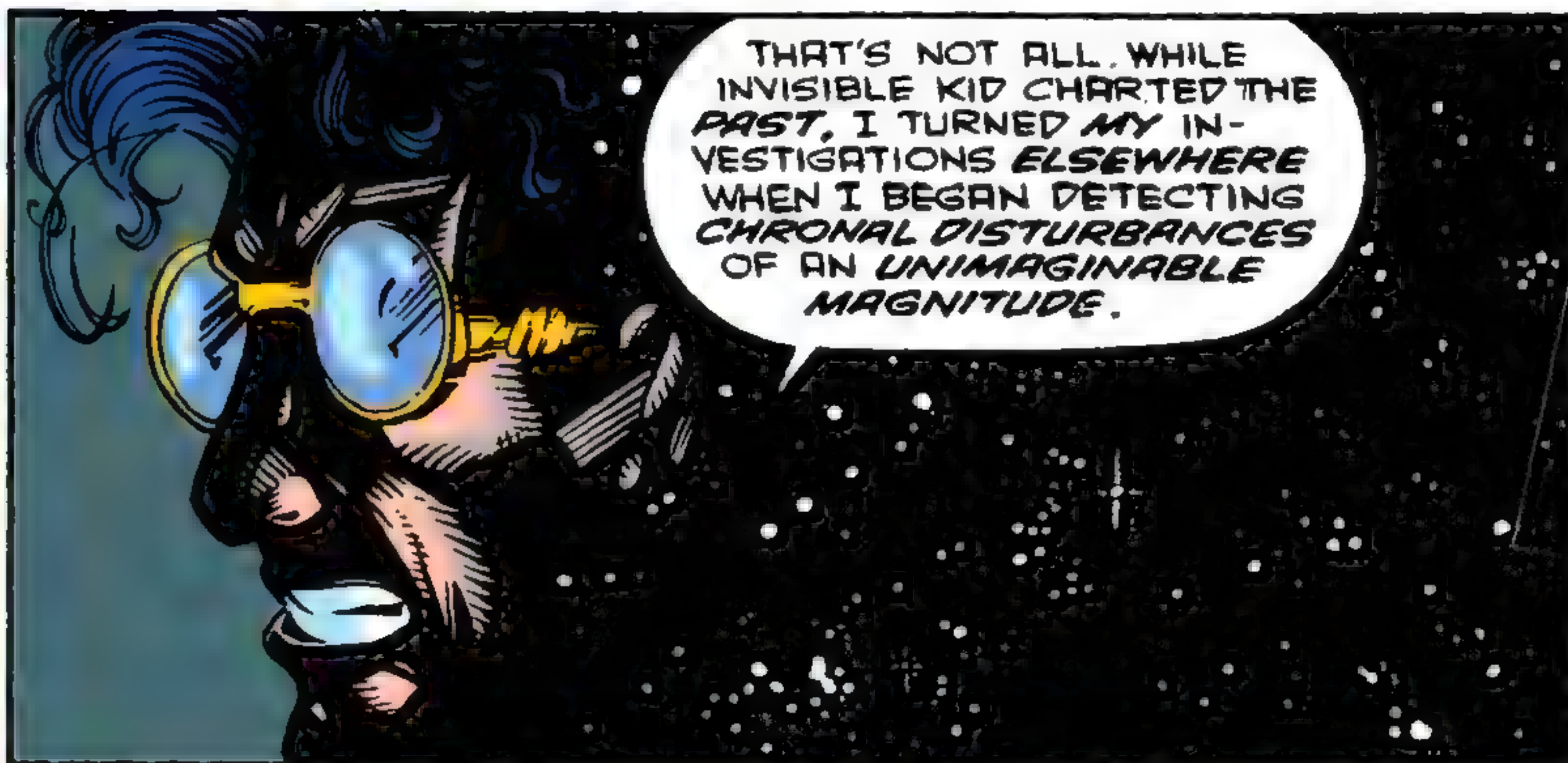
NEVER HAD THAT POWER

NEVER WORE THAT COSTUME

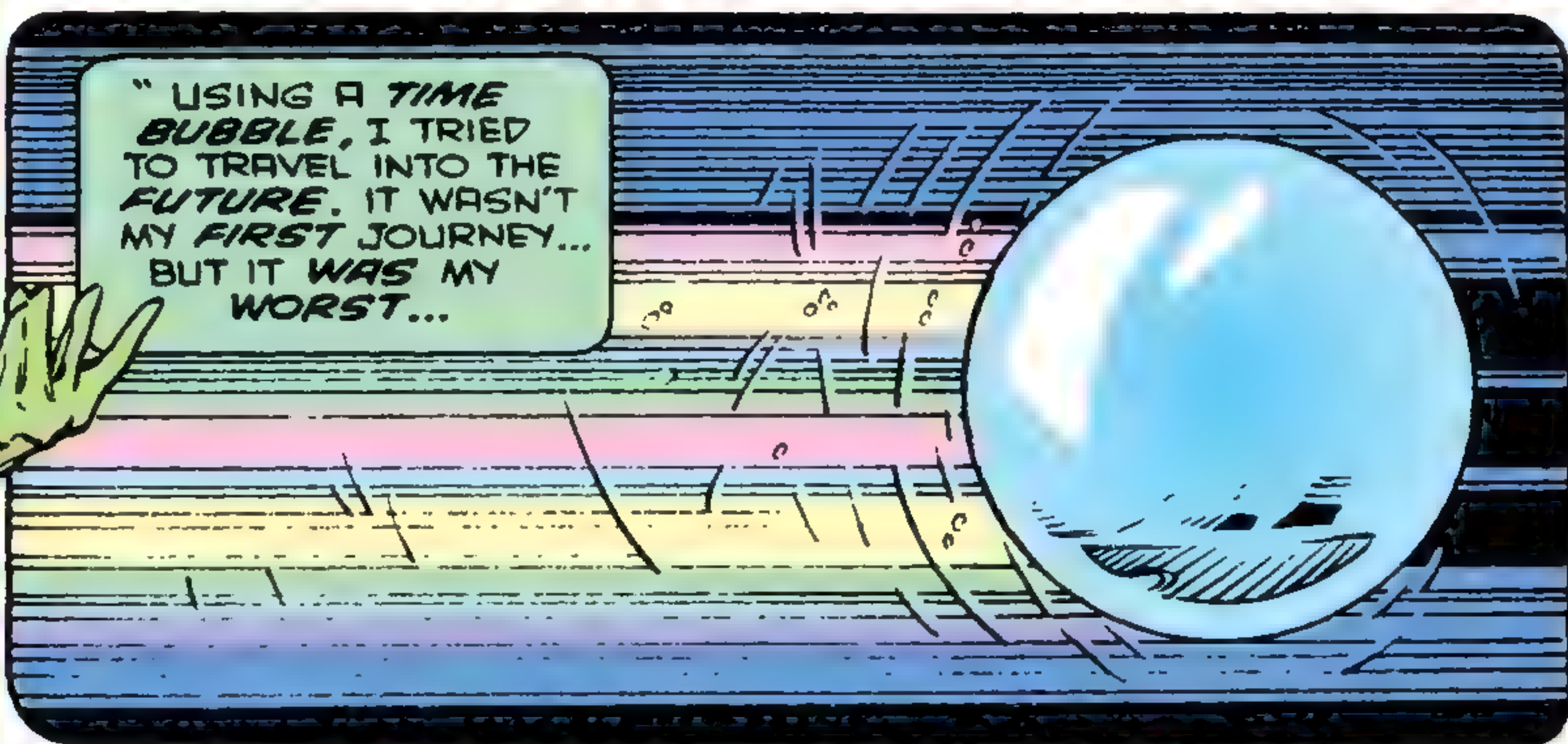
IT GETS WORSE.
OF LATE, THE
PROBLEM IS MAG-
NIFYING... HENCE
THE CHANGES
UNDERGONE BY SOME
MEMBERS -- AND
THE UNEXPLAINED
APPEARANCE OF
OTHERS.



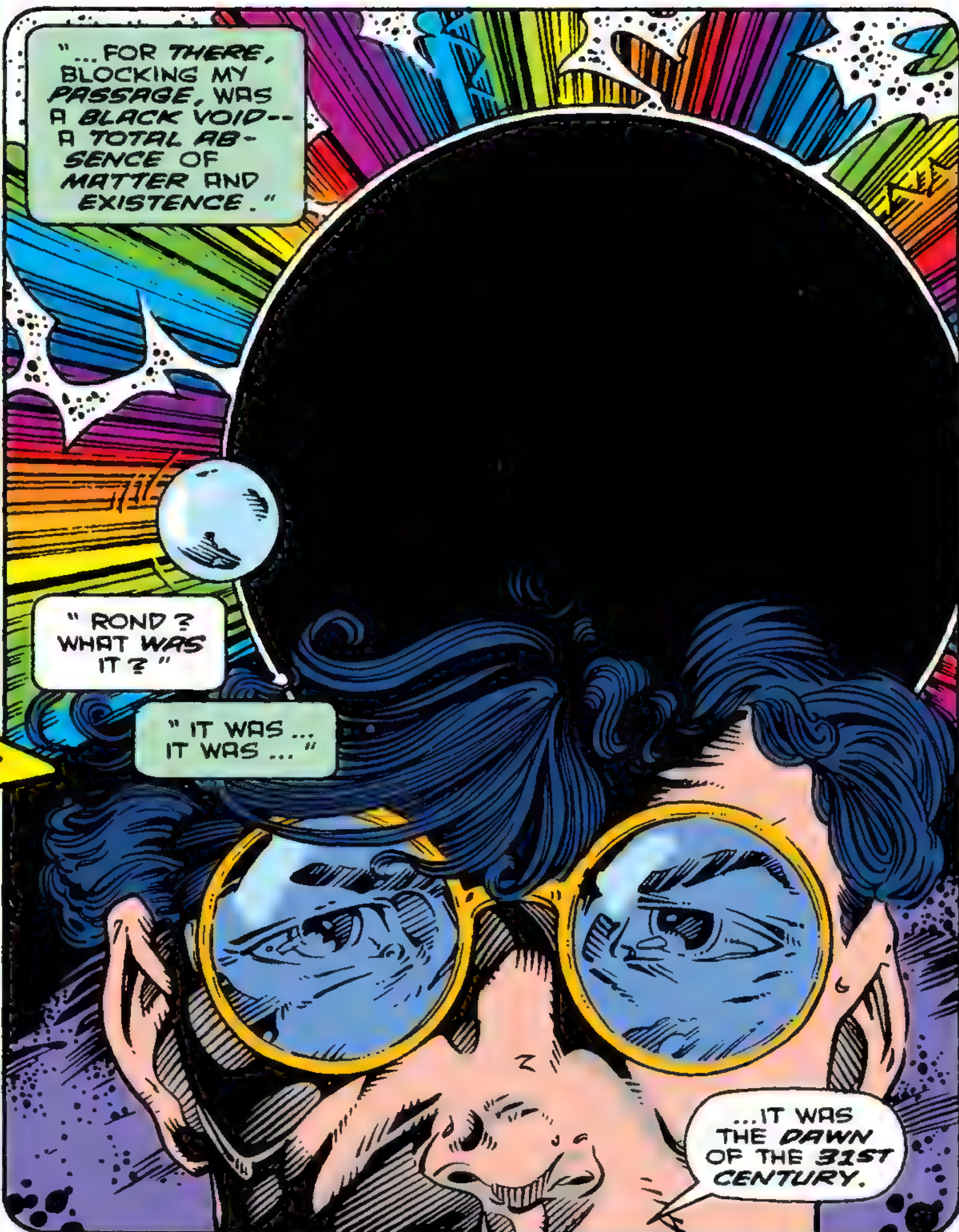
REALITY IS
FRAGMENTING
TO THE POINT
WHERE EACH OF US
IS BEGINNING TO
HAVE MEMORIES
NOT SHARED BY
THE OTHERS...



THAT'S NOT ALL. WHILE
INVISIBLE KID CHARTED THE
PAST, I TURNED MY IN-
VESTIGATIONS ELSEWHERE
WHEN I BEGAN DETECTING
CHRONAL DISTURBANCES
OF AN UNIMAGINABLE
MAGNITUDE.



" USING A TIME
BUBBLE, I TRIED
TO TRAVEL INTO THE
FUTURE. IT WASN'T
MY FIRST JOURNEY...
BUT IT WAS MY
WORST...



" ... FOR THERE,
BLOCKING MY
PASSAGE, WAS
A BLACK VOID--
A TOTAL AB-
SENCE OF
MATTER AND
EXISTENCE. "

" ROND ?
WHAT WAS
IT ? "

" IT WAS ...
IT WAS ... "

...IT WAS
THE DAWN
OF THE 31ST
CENTURY.



AND THE **END RESULT** OF TIME'S **FRACTURING**. FOR **SOME REASON**, WE SEE **INTEGRAL** TO THIS **CHAOS**... BUT ITS **DANGER** IS **UNIVERSAL**!



REALITY HAS BEGUN TO SHIFT **MORE AND MORE RAPIDLY**, OFTEN WITHOUT OUR **NOTICE**. EACH **SHIFT** WEAKENS THE **TIME-STREAM**...



...AND IF **SOME-THING'S** NOT DONE TO **ARREST** THE **CHAOS**... THERE'LL **BE** NO **FUTURE** FOR **ANYONE**!

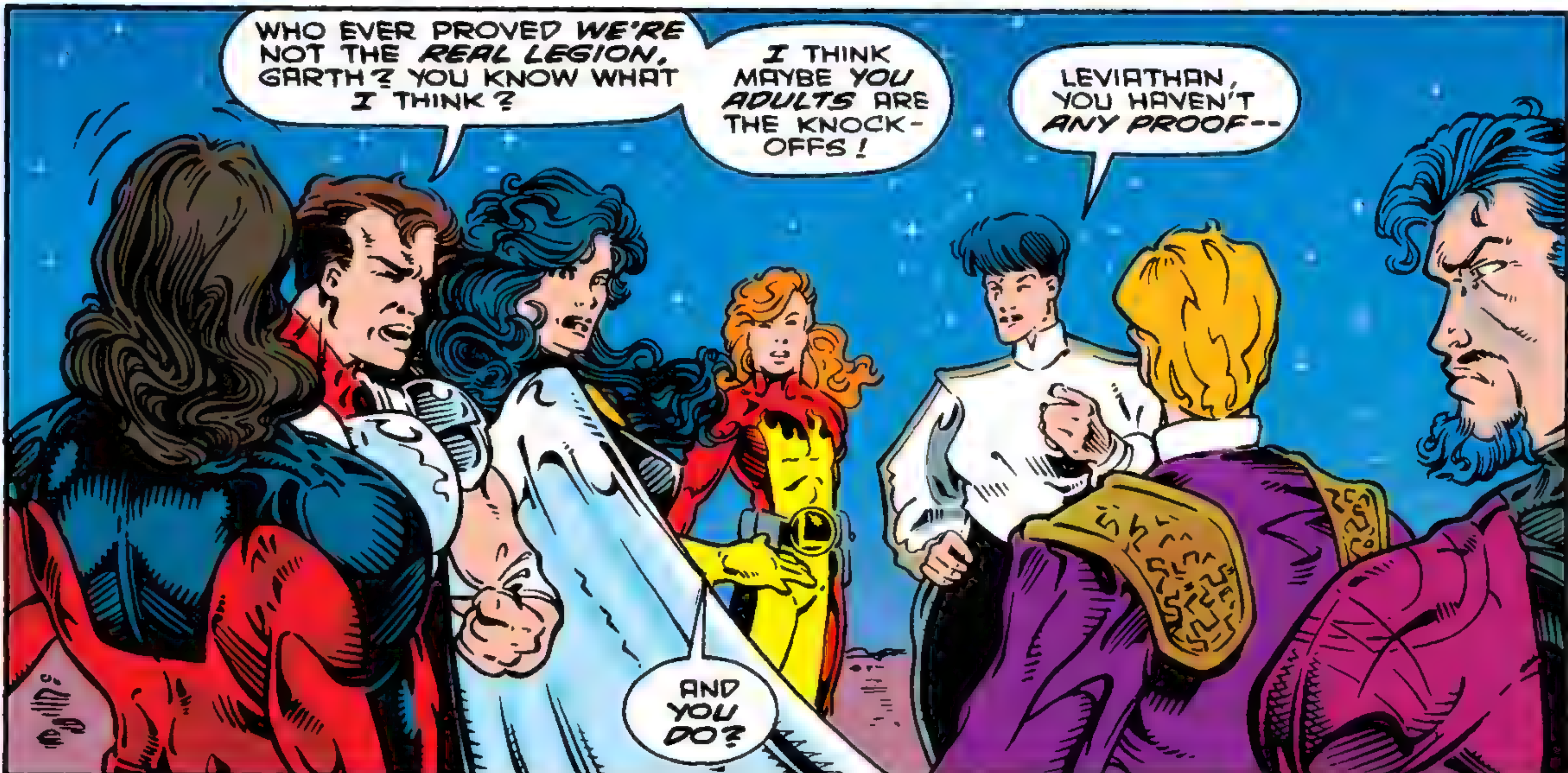


SO WHEN DID ALL THIS **START**?

I TRACED THE **FLUCTUATIONS** TO THE TIME THE **LEGIONNAIRES** ENTERED **STASIS**.

THEN **OBVIOUSLY**, YOU **KIDS** ARE THE **PROBLEM**! MAYBE **WHATEVER** PROCESS **CLONED** YOU--

WHOA!
WHOA!



WHO EVER PROVED WE'RE NOT THE **REAL** **LEGION**, GARTH? YOU KNOW WHAT I THINK?

I THINK MAYBE YOU **ADULTS** ARE THE **KNOCK-OFFS**!

LEVIATHAN, YOU HAVEN'T ANY **PROOF**--

AND YOU DO?

KNOW
WHO'S THE
REAL DEAL

CAUSING
THE FLUX

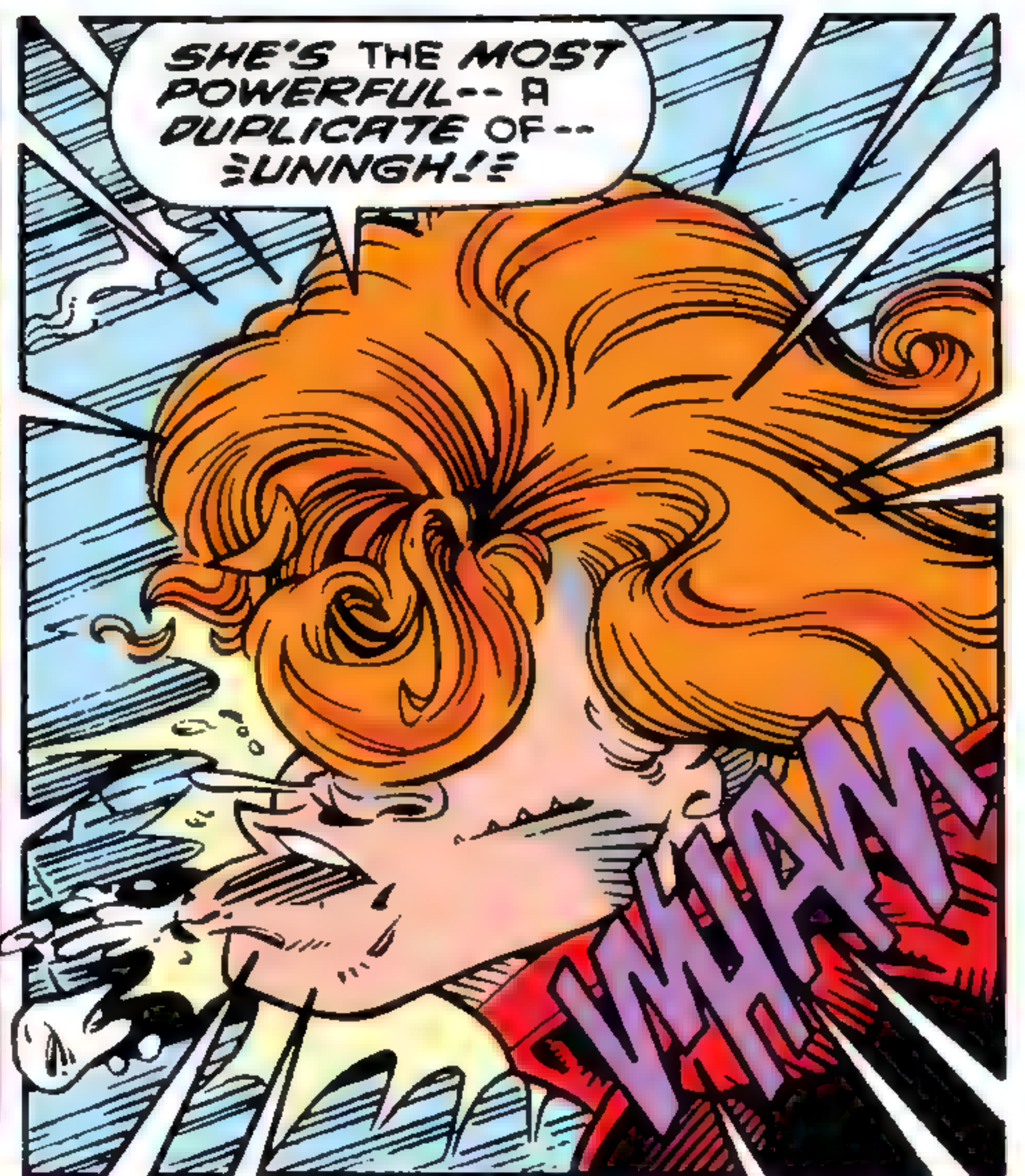
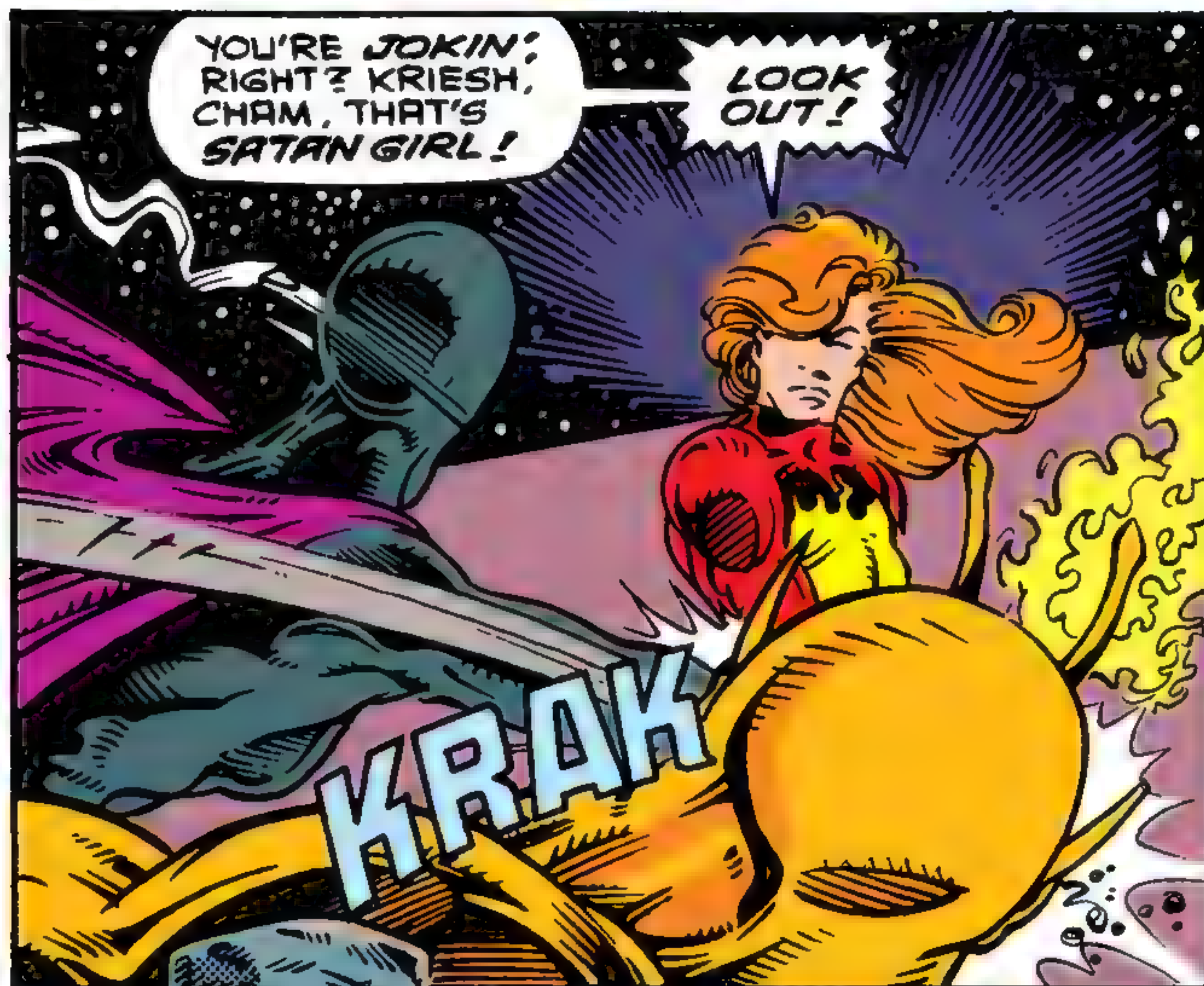
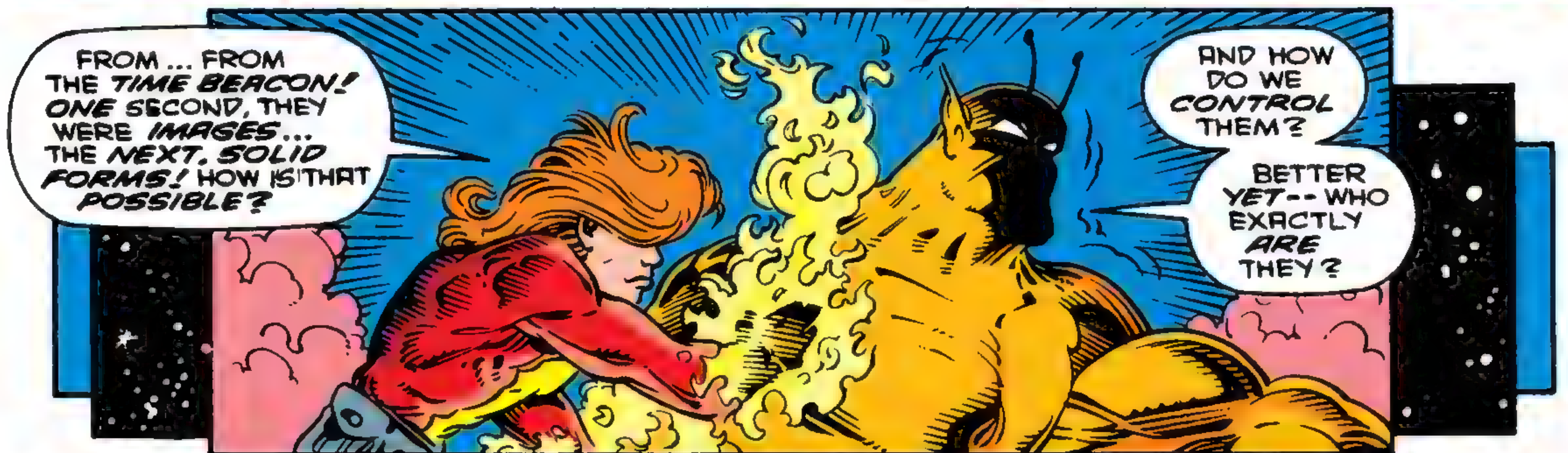
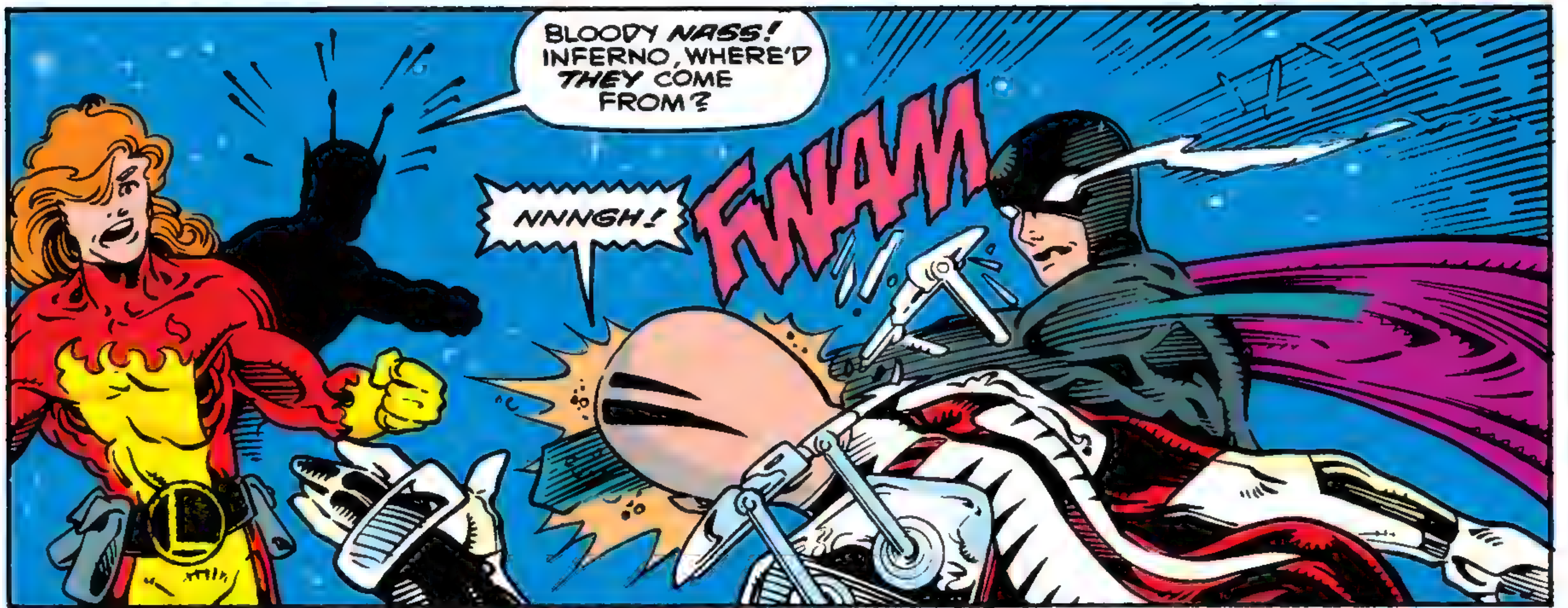
WHO ARE
YOU TO

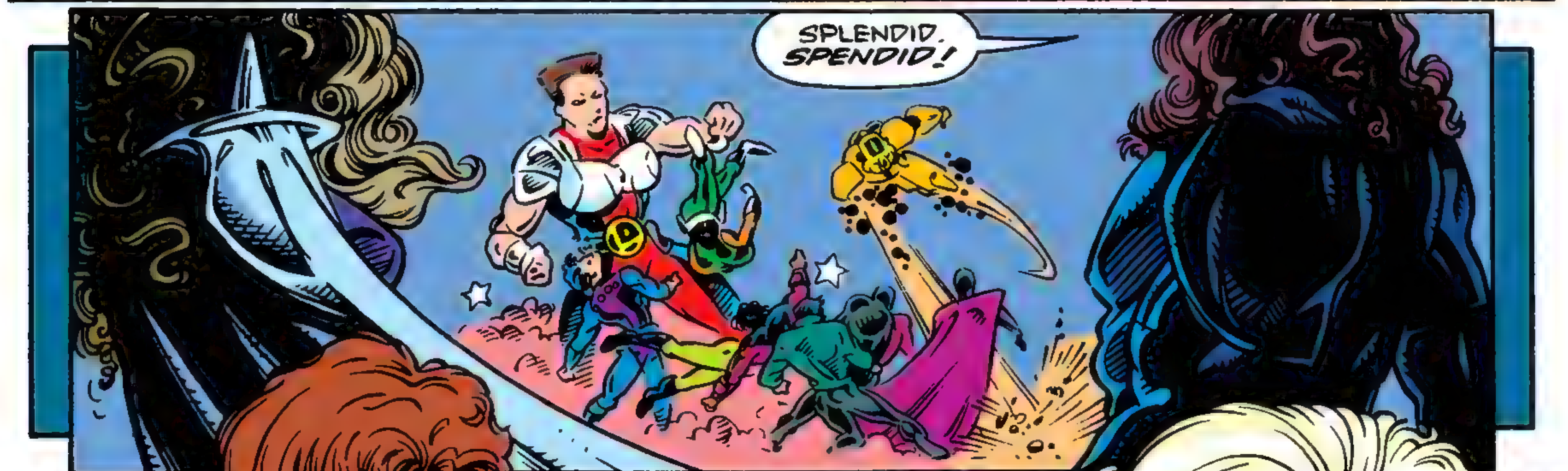
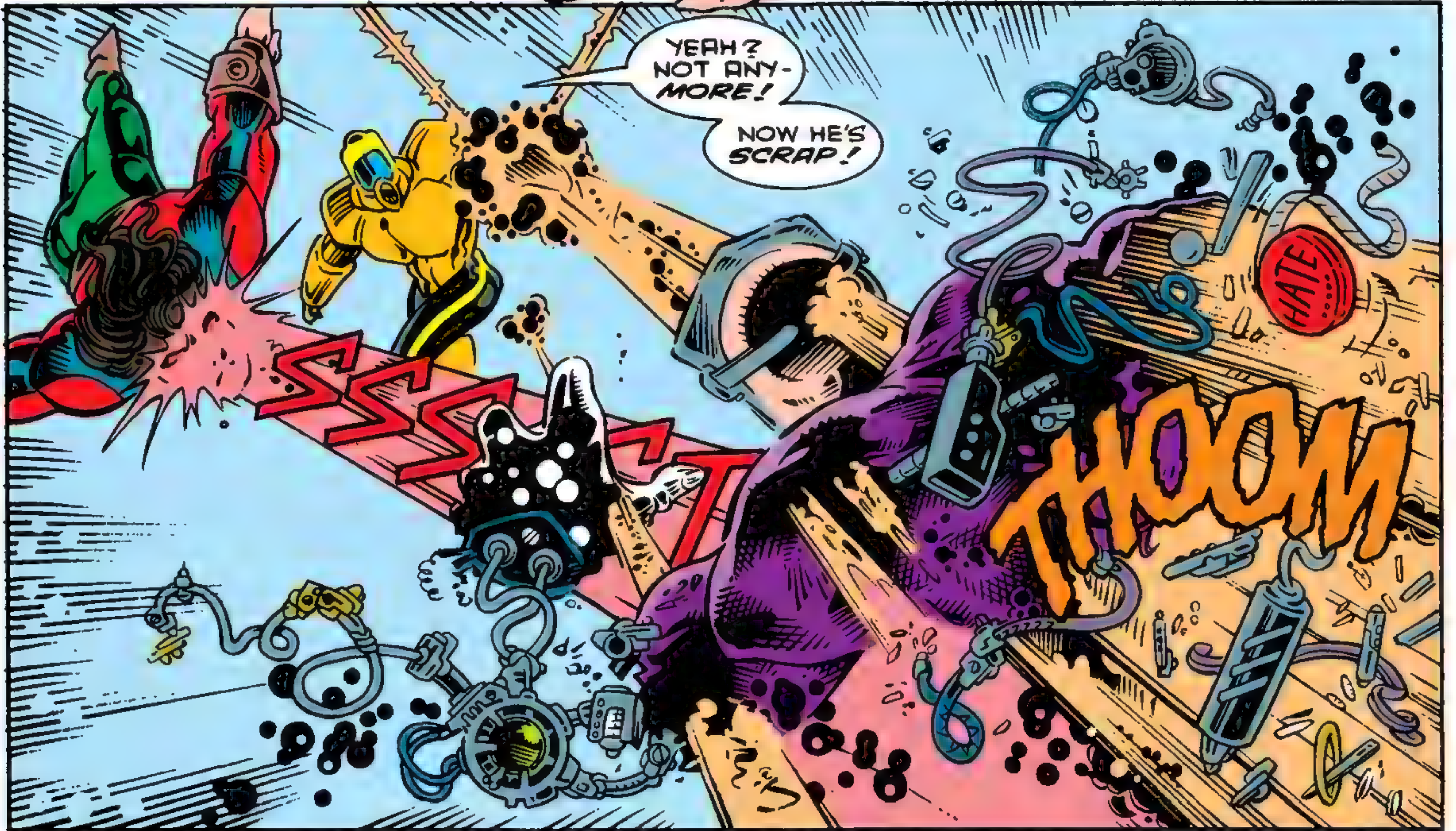
CAN'T
ACCEPT
THE TRUTH

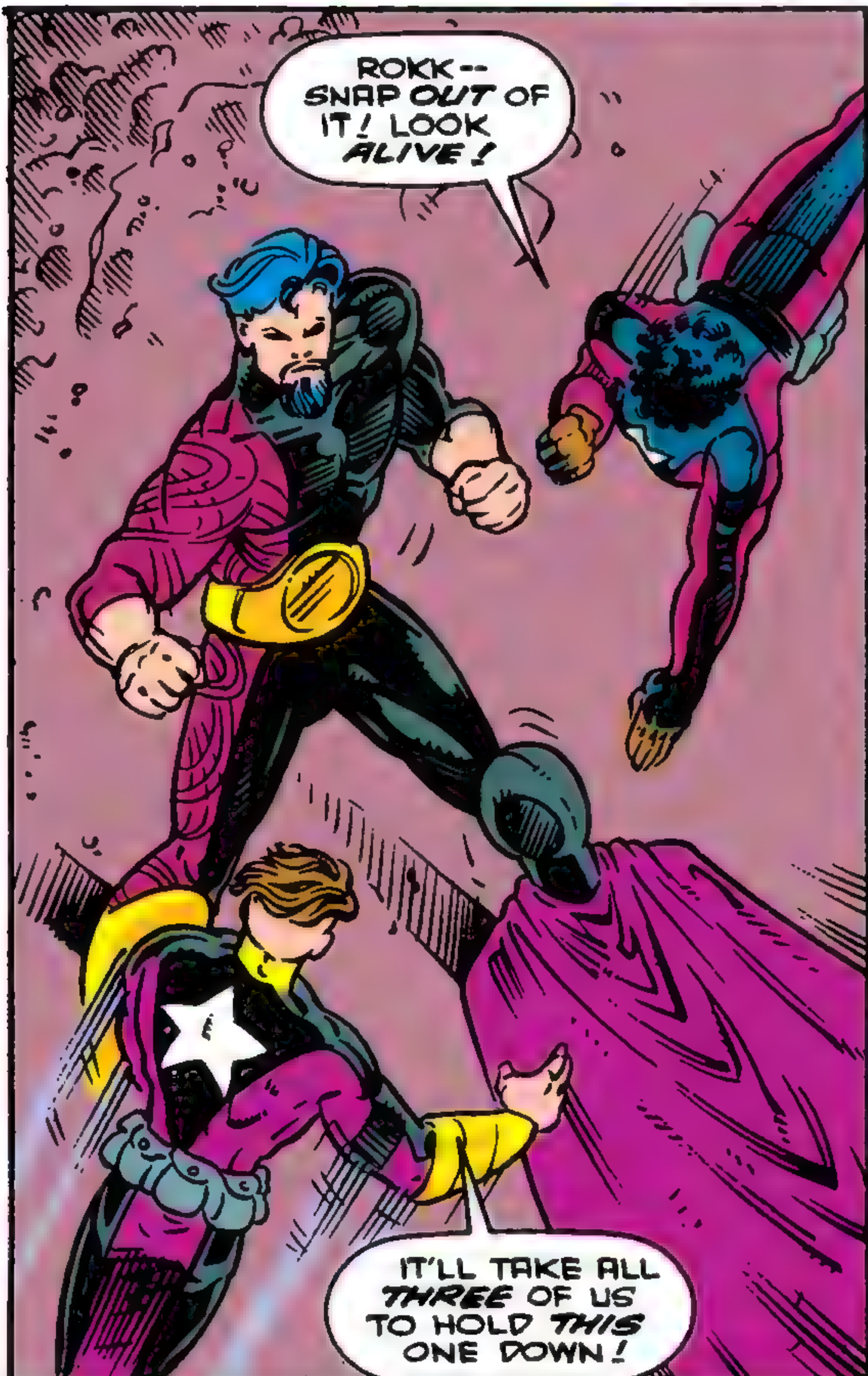
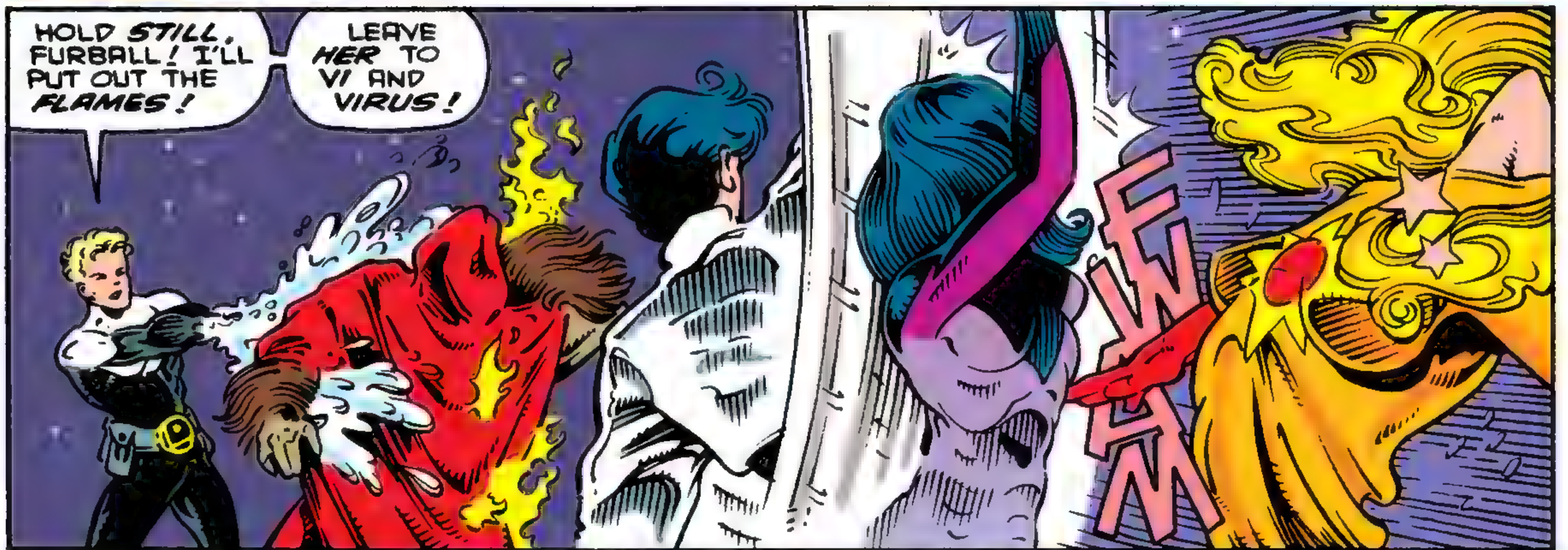
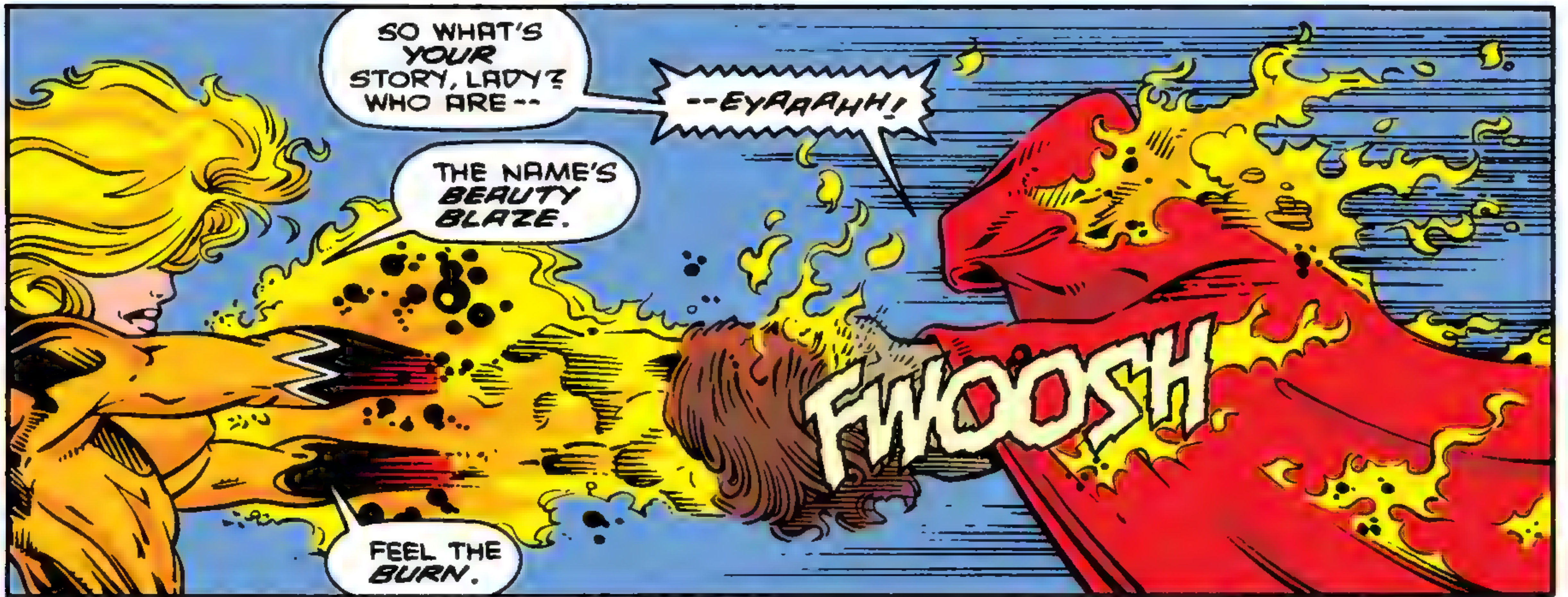
UH...
GUYS? I
HATE TO
BREAK THIS
UP...

...BUT
WE'VE GOT
COMPANY!



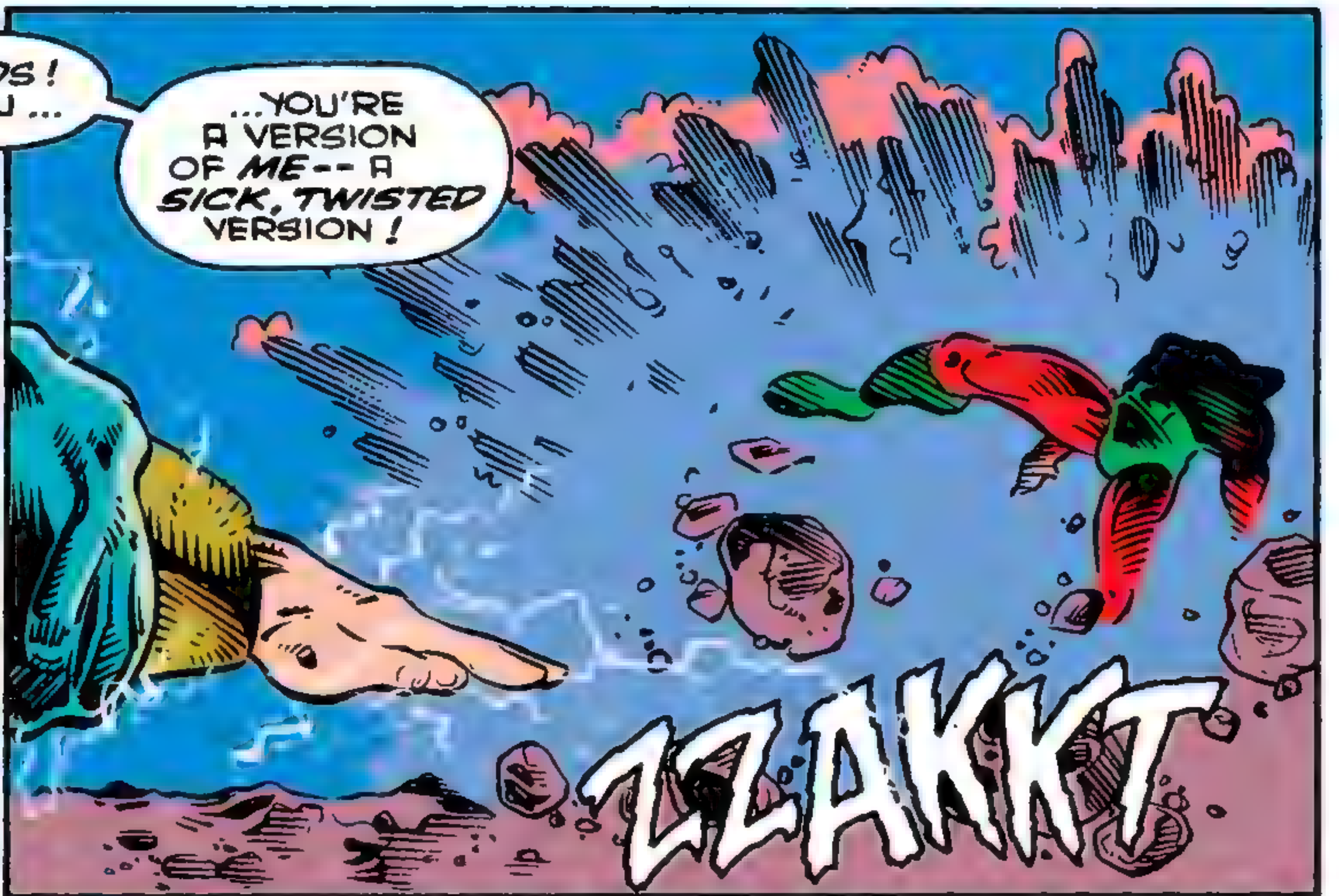






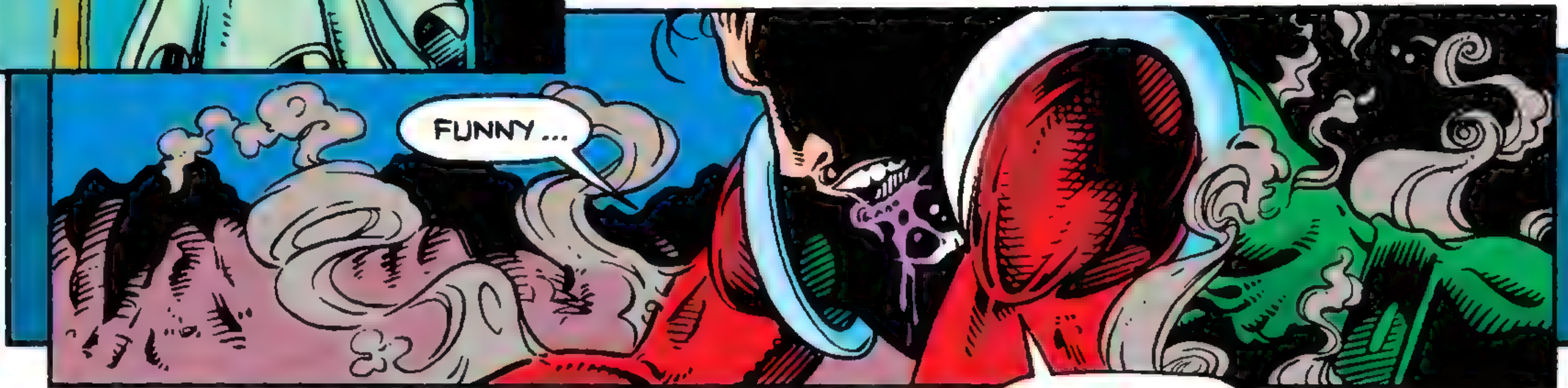


GODS!
YOU ...



...YOU'RE
A VERSION
OF ME-- A
SICK, TWISTED
VERSION!

ZZAKKT



FUNNY ...



YEARGG!

...I WAS
ABOUT TO
SAY THE SAME
THING.

K-RRRAKK



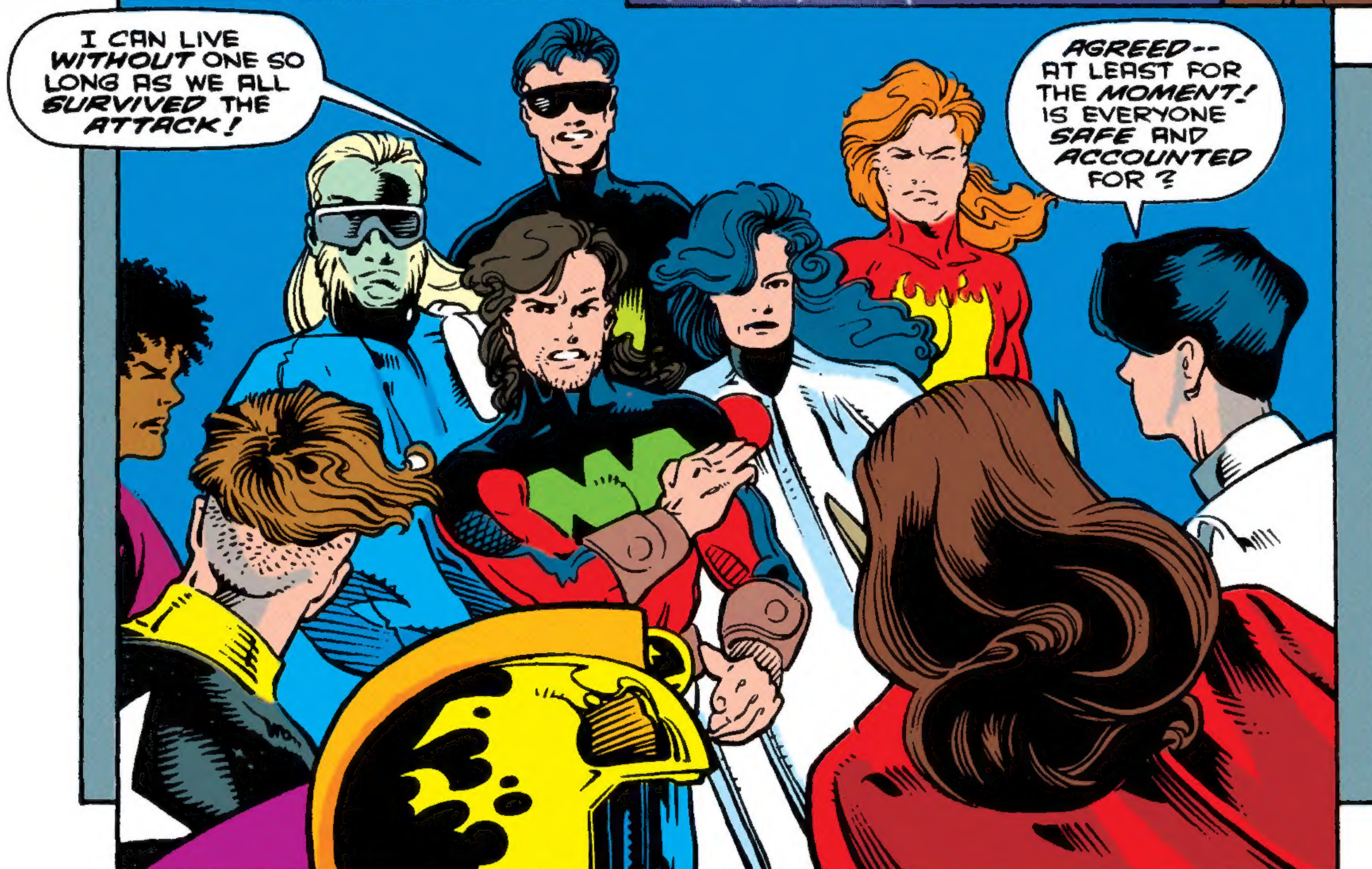
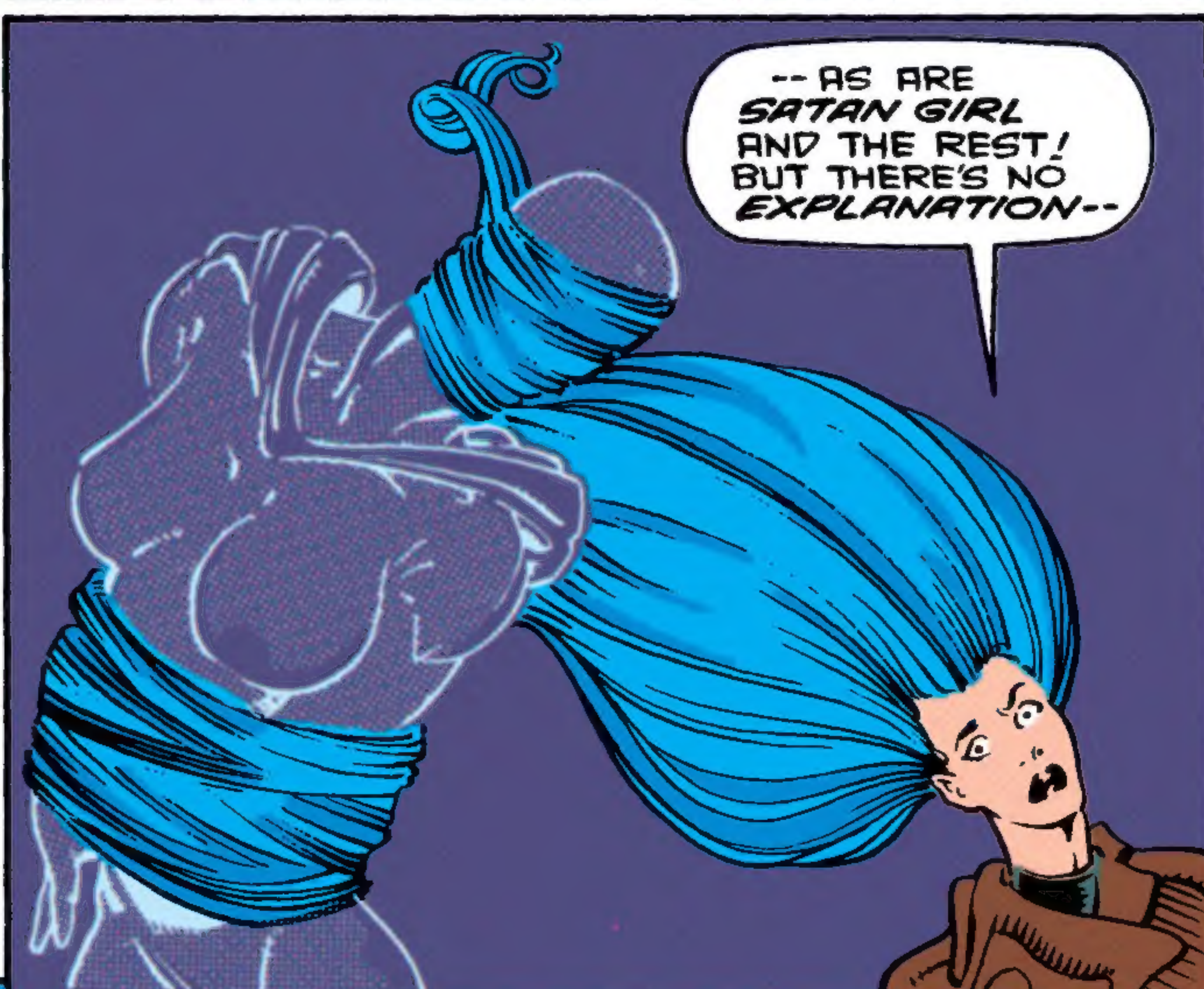
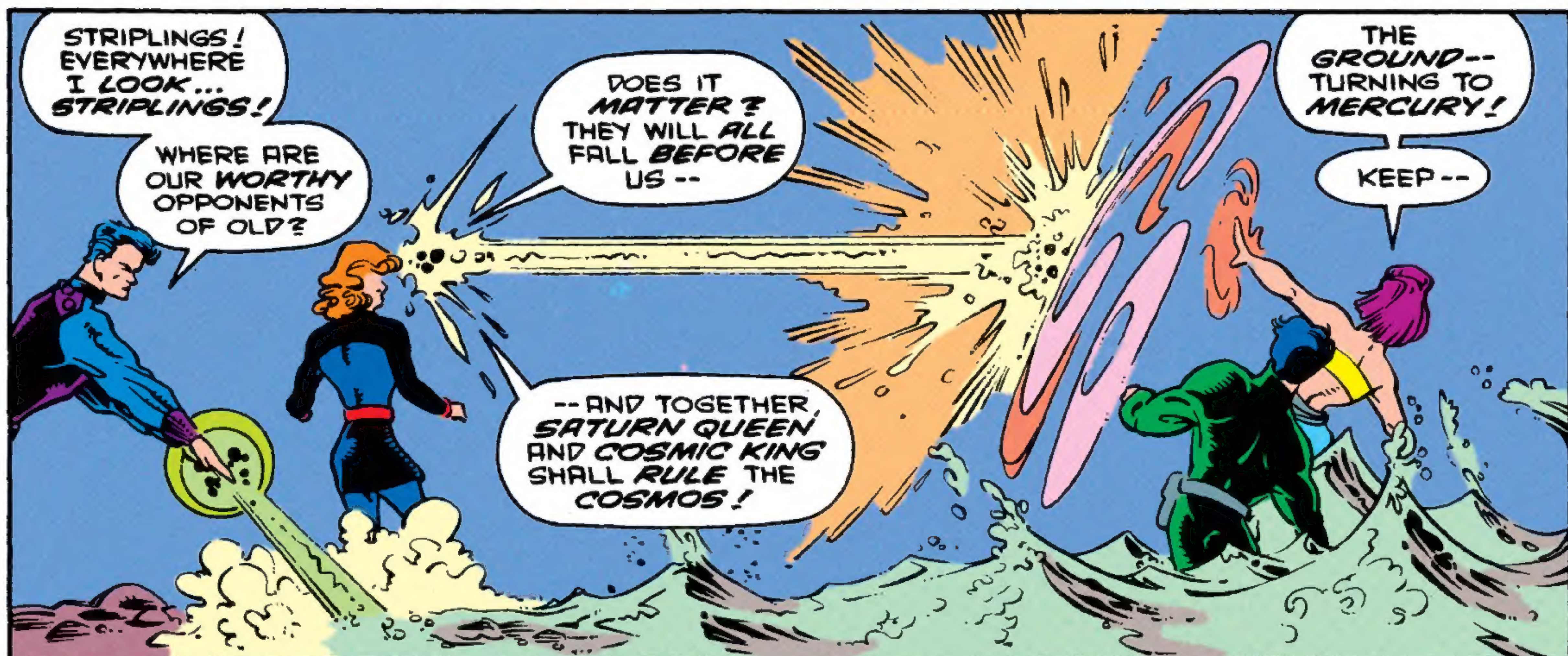
YOU ALWAYS
WANTED
A TWIN,
MEKT.

BE
CAREFUL--



KRA-KOW

--WHAT YOU
WISH
FOAAARGGH!





NO! ROKK
WANDERED
OFF THIS
WAY!

WE BETTER
FIND HIM!
LET'S GO!

MY, MY.

IF THESE ARE
THE FRUITS OF
OUR LABORS, THEN
WE WERE FOOLS
NEVER TO HAVE
ALLIED BEFORE!

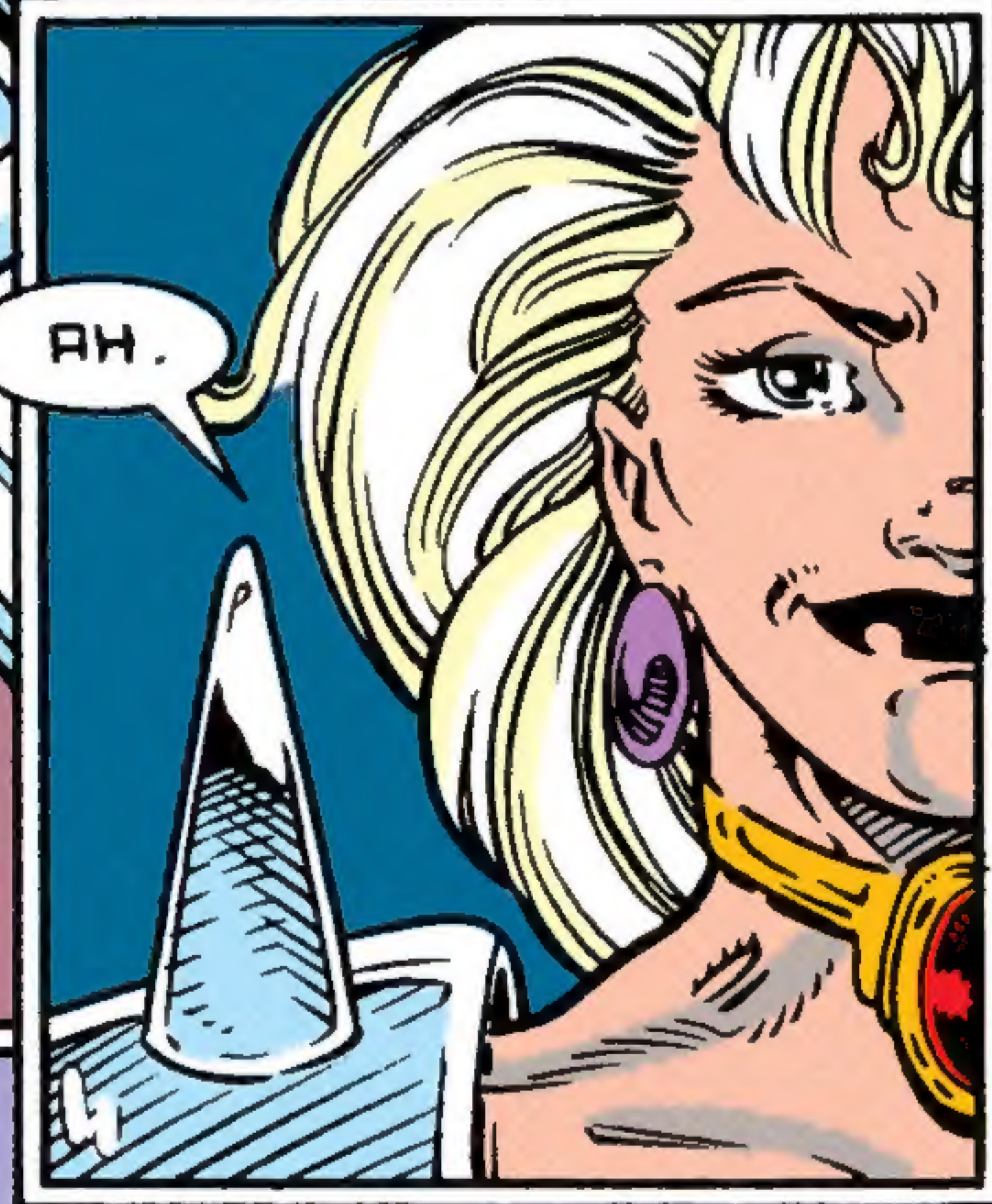
WE'VE CAPTURED
OUR PAWN JUST IN TIME.
ACCORDING TO THE
PROPHECIES, KRINN'S
DESTINY IS NEAR
AT HAND.

DO WE DARE
WATCH IT
MANIFEST? WHY
NOT SIMPLY KILL
HIM NOW?



REMEMBER
VALOR?

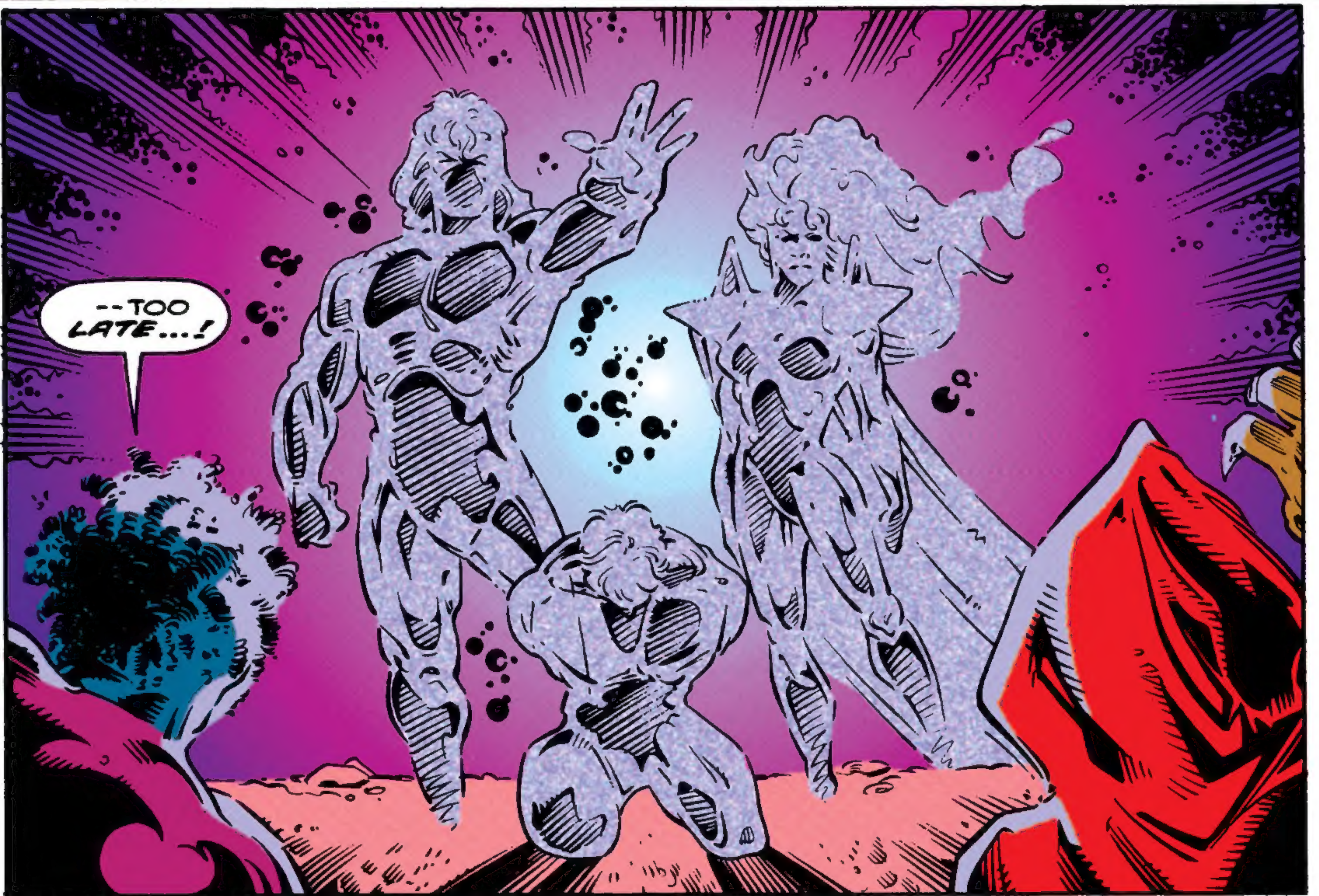
AH.



WE MUST
NOT BE
TEMPTED BY
EXPEDIENT
MEASURES.

TRUE! FOR
SOON... WE
WILL HAVE ALL
THE TIME IN THE
UNIVERSE!





BLOODY GRIFE!
NOW WHAT? WE
CAN'T LEAVE ROKK
IN THE HANDS OF OUR
WORST ENEMIES!

DAWNY--YOU
STILL HAVE
YOUR TRACKING
POWERS! CAN
YOU GET A LEAD
ON 'EM?

YES ...

...I SENSE
THEIR *PATH*...
AND THEIR
DESTINATION.
FOLLOW ME...
AND I WILL
GUIDE YOU--

TO

THEM

DAWNY!

NO! SHE'S
VANISHED, TOO!

AND
WITH
HER ...

...OUR
ONLY HOPE
OF FINDING
ROKK!

CONTINUED IN

VALOR

#22 ...

ON SALE NOW!